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### The Great Adventure

OU, Mothers of America, if only you Y could have seen the expression on your sons' faces, as they marched from their ships into the Unknown! You would have thrilled with pride. You alone would have understood that look. and you would have cried a little, bless your wonderful, big souls. You would have wanted to pull your boy's head down on your breast, just as you did when he was little and got hurt playing, and rub his cheek and rumple his hair. They did, every single one of them, look so young, so forlornly, buoyantly, unconquerably young."

Your boy and the great adventuredon't you ache clean through to hear how he meets it? And so you will, in June For Robert Davis, clergy-

Red Cross worker in France, and now of the Casualty Intelligence Bureau, in Paris, who has written to you-to mothers like his own-has seen your boy land in France and has watched him on his way.

### Homefolks and Strangers

HERE is a feature in this May issue that is such a "find" that we want to call especial attention to it. Just turn the pages till you come to Facing the Unknown, by Emerin Semple Keene, and you'll understand what we mean! Miss Keene's article was planned for June, but when, on account of his lecturing, Guy Empey couldn't get "Cooties" to us, we moved our prize June feature ahead a month, only to leave room for Robert Davis!

While you're reveling in The Zeppe-lin's Passenger, we thought you might like a glimpse of E. Phillips Oppenheim. His

Government is using him on the western front in France and he is now living in a house with fifty bedrooms, a dining-room for sixty persons, and a chapel, but

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with no bathrooms nor heating apparatus. He keeps warm by the wood he himself gathers. every man could create thrillers under such conditions!

#### THE HABIT OF **ENTHUSIASM**

OF all the habits that we may use to help us in our life, there is none easier to acquire or more useful than the habit of enthusiasm. The habit of being interested, the habit of caring, the habit of being excited about thingsthat is the secret of the personality that succeeds, in business or in social life. Every one wants to have dealings with the man who likes his work well enough to get excited about it. Every one has a chance to fail except the man with enthusiasm; he cannot fail even if he tries.

### No More Problems!

FROM the hundreds of splendid responses to the His-and-Her-Side-of-the-Story contest announced in March, that have swamped our we have selected this significant one to set your interest agoing. Watch June.

"A woman who feels and acts toward Helene and John as Mabel has done, does not begin to know what constitutes a love that is made up of understanding, sympathy, companionship and, above all, a sense of humor. I am sorry for a real man who has married woman of Mabel's type-a petty, narrow, and selfish individual.

"With a bit of common sense, she would say to herself: 'John finds something worth while in his companionship with Helene. I am glad, because it increases his happiness,' and go happily about

her living; for common sense is the corner-stone of a happy married life. It is too bad she cannot realize what she is missing out of life-the good sportsmanship which should exist between husband and wife, the confidence in his judgment. Furthermore, I should certainly hate to think that my husband had lost all his power of attraction; and that works both ways.

"As to what people thinkif you are right, what is their opinion to you? I am the very happy wife of a goodlooking man whose work takes him all over the country, and I have always smiled at the sympathetic souls who ask me if I'm not jealous! We are still helplessly in love and have two adorable babies."



### "WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE"

DRETTY soon we'll all be saying "our girls over there," as easily and pridefully as we boast of the boys who've gone across. Units of nurses, and groups of clerks, and canteen workers have swarmed to the front, but these trim, blue-uniformed women you see standing foursquare to the world are the first of America's great, eager body of young women to be officially sent with "The American Army in France."

The military authorities over the seas have called for army "centrals," and these girls have answered the call and have qualified. With their smart uniforms and bright smiles, as they stand there, en masse, ready for the word that says go, these girls do not suggest how hard they have had to work in their own training camps to grow fit. Telephone operating in a marble-lined apartment house, and army telephone operating, behind the firing lines, are vastly different

These girls were required to train three times the usual period; they went from station to station, meeting every operating condition; they had to prove themselves incapable of upsetting emotions. Fifteen miles back of a firing line, when victory or disaster for the world is being flashed, no chances can be taken with nerves! Any young woman between the ages of eighteen and thirty-three who feels she could smile and go on plugging her board during a gas attack, who is possessed of no male relatives in France or likely to be there, and has a fluent knowledge of spoken French, might some time hope to follow Uncle Sam's first woman's army.

On a morning not long ago, nobody knows just when, of course, these twenty-nine and four more not in the photo, slipped away from home and friends and country, with eyes turned to the work ahead, where lies for them adventure, mystery, sacrifice, and victory!

**Every-Day Patriotism** 

OTHER states have observed one-day programs in efforts O to stimulate community spirit, but it remained for President Edward K. Graham, of the University of North Carolina,

to suggest the epochal idea of a whole state devoting an entire week to matters of public welfare.

The Governor was a convert to the idea and designated a "Community Service Week," when every citizen in the whole state was asked to work for the common weal. It was a significant movement.

They plunged directly into practiculities. An illustrated booklet, full of suggestions, was issued. Candid comparisons of conditions were made. Six thousand letters were mailed to farmers and schoolteachers in the state. And a search-

ing questionnaire was sent out asking about matters of health, wealth, education, recreation, and cooperation.

Rural communities everywhere caught the spirit of the new adventure in self-government. One district closed its industries to do service on the roads, and thirty miles of im-proved highway stretched out-an eternal memorial to its patriotism. Every man and woman was "on the job."

"Community Service Week" has been made a fixture in North Carolina. President Graham's sentiment has become the slogan of a great state: "The road that leads by my door is the road to the end of the world; and the wonderful thing is that, for leads to the end of the world."

If your McCALL'S is late the patient. Wait a few days before writing us. It should reach you safely within a few days after publication date. The Government, of course, must give war shipments preference. Mail deliveries are bound to be slow

### RAILING A RED CROSS DOLLAR

SHE was like a Frans Hals picture— this old refugee—as she sat there her hands folded in her lap,

her gray hair curving smoothly down to her ears, and her bonnet set

curving smoothly down to her ears, and her bonnet set back a little on her head.

Across the frontier she had been herded by the Boches, all unwillingly leaving behind the meager possessions of a lifetime, and here she waited patiently for the next turn of the kaleidoscope.

"You are English, Madame?" she asked politely.
"No"—I shook my head—"not English—American."
Her troubled old face broke into pathetic radiance.
"You are an American!" she cried. Her two hands reached out for mine. "Oh, madame, do thank them—the Americans—for what they have done for us! They have helped to feed us back there, and here they nurse our children. There would be nothing for us—we would have died, madame, if it were not for America."

It is a proud thing, these days, to be an American in France; and as I listened to this old peasant's story of the long three months which had separated her from her daughter and her daughter's two sick children—sent over daughter and her daughter's two sick children—sent over the frontier by the Germans into France while she was kept behind—I did not wonder that she looked to Rept bening—I did not wonder that she looked to America with gratitude and hope. For daughter and mother had been reunited through the American Red Cross; the sick children had been made well through the American Red Cross; and for these homeless a new home had been provided and a means of earning a self-respecting livelihood, again through the American Red Cross.

Red Cross.

Almost more than the work for our own wounded soldiers—if that were possible—does this big rehabilitating work among the civilian population of France touch one's heart, the people are so helpless, so bewildered, so stripped of the necessaries of existence.

To measure this need was one of the reasons I had come to France—not for myself but for all the women, the mothers, of the United States who were making sacrifices of money and time to help the American Red Cross. When that organization, through its Woman's Committee, asked me to go to England and France, not as an official, but as a woman like the other women of the United States, to see with their eyes what was being done, and what needed to be done abroad; to measure with their standard the efficiency of the service given and the value of the sacrifices they had made to make it possible; and to bring back the story of what I had seen, I said yes, and last September sailed for the other side. for the other side

#### My Trip Gave Me This Conviction

I SPENT five months abroad, and in that time I went up and down the French and British and American lines; visited camps, canteens, hospitals, warehouses, and little tragic villages; and everywhere I carried the single purpose of finding out what needed to be done, who was doing it, and how well.

To begin with, I am convinced that all aid to be effective and to prevent waste must be centralized. In large businesses there is a buying department through which all orders go for needed material. If each little department of the business ordered separately, there would be duplication of supplies, increase of expenditure, and unnecessary waste of time. Modern business strives to eliminate the waste which comes from duplication. So must we do. Little groups of us must not attempt to send to France the things we think are needed.

The problem of ships to carry supplies across is a tremendous one, but no one who has not been over can have any idea what the transportation problem is in Europe. Think what must pass over the railroads of France—wood to build huts for the soldiers, pipes to make sanitary the villages in which they are billeted, food, clothes, munitions, hospital supplies for an entire country, and for the armies of three nations.

We need every scrap of tonnage for vital things. What are they? Neither you nor I can tell. The decision must be made by some one working from the big point of view, some one, like the Red Cross, working with the Governments and the armies. There must be one plan of relief, and all of us must fit our energies and our desires into that plan.

The next conviction I have brought with me from Europe is that in addition to the sacrifice already exacted of us, there is another sacrifice we must make—the sacrifice of sentimentality. Somebody has said that sentimentality is sentiment without sense, and the only emotions we must permit ourselves, now, are those that have practical results.

### Write, Write, Write!

WHAT we did at Christmas is a good example of what I mean by sentimentality. We thought of our men in the war zone, lonely at Christmas time, and everybody spurted up to send them presents, individual packages. It took many shiploads to get those packages across the water, and the problem of providing our men and our allies with vital necessities was set back just so much. How much better would it have been to have used the money which went into them to aid the big pieces of work being done for our men by the American Red

money which went into them to aid the big pieces of work being done for our men by the American Red Cross and the Y. M. C. A., and to let Christmas letters be the messenger of the holiday spirit we sought to express. Nothing is valued higher than a letter, over there. When I first went into the army zone, I had a feeling that the American boys were so full of the spirit of adventure that they would be immune to loneliness, but I never saw a more homesick lot of individuals. And though, when I saw them again just before I left, I was tremendously impressed not only with the growth of the

By Eleanor Robson Belmont

army, but with the soldier spirit of the men, yet I say to you, "Write, write, write!" They had their home-sickness well in hand by that time, but when, in talking to this man or that, I would say I was going home, there would be perfect silence for a minute, then a long deep breath ending in the truly American "Oh, gee!" They are homesick still; and they want to hear from their own.

There is another thing I might tell your wool is

There is another thing I might tell you; wool is precious. They need and want socks, we cannot send too many. A knitting machine turns out perfectly good



Mrs. Eleanor Robson Belmont, who was asked by the Red Cross to visit the war zones that she might bring back to all American women this first-hand message of what is being done and what needs to be done.

socks, and the woman who can purchase one, or use one in common with others, should apply her time in this way in preference to knitting by hand. I do not mean by this that the women who have not access to a knitting machine should stop knitting. Quite the contrary!

If I realized, as I did when I reached France, that in spite of my degrees interest in spite of all the work with

spite of my deepest interest, in spite of all the work with which I had been connected, I had no adequate conception of the tragic need on the other side of the water, it is equally true that with each succeeding day I found myself marveling at the extent and the wonderful efficiency of the American relief work.

### I Felt the Heart of the War

AND the beautiful thing about it is that it is so spon-AND the beautiful thing about it is that it is so spontaneous, so free from officialdom and red tape. Whether the problem to be handled is a poor little Belgian baby deported by Germany and separated in transit from its mother; or a whole village suffering from lack of sanitation; or comfortless railroad junction stations, so small and inhospitable as to send the soldier on leave, soiled, travel-worn and dispirited, on his way; or a community to be fed and clothed; or homes and occupations to be found for refugees; or the wounded to be nursed; or the poor multilated, shattered soldier to be re-educated into some form of usefulness to himself—in all of these, help is never delayed.

A government cannot act in this way. For every

self—in all of these, help is never delayed.

A government cannot act in this way. For every activity a law is laid down, defining its exact scope. To vary a hair's breadth from this prearranged outline requires almost an Act of Congress. How glad we should be, then, that our Government, having about all it can take care of to attend to the business of war, has handed over the heart of war to us—to the Red Cross and similar organizations, which may act as you or I would, when there is suffering to be relieved.

I have come home impressed not only with the wonderful efficiency of the American Red Cross, and its marvelous humanity, but with the feeling that every

wonderful efficiency of the American Red Cross, and its marvelous humanity, but with the feeling that every dollar of American money entrusted to it is made to produce the greatest material results, and to pass on, undiminished, to our men and those of our allies, and to the suffering civilians of Europe, the tenderness, the sympathy, which inspired the American public in providing the funds that make this great work possible.

When the Red Cross first went to France, its work was with the French soldiers. It found them disheartened

by the great losses which had taken place; the bitter winter through which they had passed, and, more than all, perhaps, the

suffering among the people of France. Just to nurse wounds could not conquer the situation, which was slowly undermining the morale of the French army. Promptly the Red Cross acted. It appropriated one million dollars to be divided at the discretion of the Maires of the different districts among the families of sick, wounded, or dead soldiers—some families had given as many as four and five sons to the war. In an incredibly short time the distribution had taken place, and among the French soldiers had spread the sense that America was coming to help. The effect upon the morale of the army was instantaneous and widespread, they could fight again with a good heart, knowing those left behind at home would be taken care of. As for the families themselves, this simple, earnest letter which follows is an indication of the gratitude which permeated France:

Monsieur le President du Conseil Municipal.

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Dear M. Le President,
On Christmas Day I had the joy of receiving a letter telling
me that a part of the gift of the American Red Cross for the
families of soldiers having served in the war was to be given to
me. You cannot imagine, Monsieur le President, what a comfort
this generous deed has been to us on this Christmas Day, which
was such a sad one for me in thinking of the dear lost one as I
looked at my children. Your letter arrived to give me courage,
since such generous hearts were waiting to lighten our great sorrow, and to console and sustain us.
You may be sure, Monsieur le President, I shall never forget
this, and I shall speak of it often to my dear children so that
their little hearts may learn to love the brave allies, and to those
of the family who are at the front I shall give a share of this
fine thing which I am sure they will never forget.

#### How I Found Little Brother

I NEVER experienced a full realization of what the American Red Cross meant to Europe, until one day I stood at the station at Evian watching a convoy of Belgian children between the ages of two and fourteen, each little baby holding tight to a bundle in its arm—all it had in the world—and its tag to show where it was to go; and all, in their shrill baby voices, crying "Vive la France!" above the bugling of the soldiers drawn up to greet them

One little girl continued to sob as if her heart would break, long after the others had recovered from their momentary fright. I tried to soothe her, but without success. Finally she seized both my hands. "Oh, Madame," she cried, "what do you think is going to become of my little brother? I promised my mother a would look after him. They have taken him away.

become of my little brother? I promised my mother I would look after him. They have taken him away, the American Red Cross, madame. Are they like the Boches? Will I ever see him again? Because I promised my mother I would always look after my little brother."

I assured her that the American Red Cross was not at all like the Boches, and that if Little Brother had been taken from her it was for some good reason, and he would be given back again. And, later in the day, when I went to the American Hospital to investigate there was Little Brother, very scared but perfectly controlled, and beginning to think the American Red Cross not at all an undesirable institution. A very bad sore throat had suggested diphtheria, and he was being held at the hospital until it cleared up or developed. Five weeks later, a perfectly well and happy little brother was restored to Sister.

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At countless towns in France the American Red Cross has set up a dispensary center, from which doctors and nurses visit by motor a little circle of neighboring towns, treating several hundred patients each week. The impulse of humanity is, of course, behind this work, but were it not, it would have been found essential for the health of our own soldiers. At one little town, where sixteen Americans were about to be billeted, the dispensary service disclosed a child coming down with diphtheria. She was promptly removed to the proper hospital, the place thoroughly disinfected, and the quite probable death of some of our own men averted.

### I Visited Dispensaries and Canteens

AT the cheerless railroad junctions in France where the soldier must wait while being transferred from one place to another, the American Red Cross has established place to another, the American Red Cross has established big huts with rest-rooms, their walls lined with burks one above the other, in which the men may throw themselves down and rest; facilities for bathing; a dispensary with nurse in attendance; canteens where hot drinks—coffee, cocoa, lemonade—may be obtained, soup at certain hours, and sandwiches. There are camp chairs, wicker chairs, magazines, books—just the things you would like to think your boy could have to send him on his way cheered and refreshed.

You see, I am speaking about the outlying activities of the American Red Cross, not the big wonderful chain of warehouses honeycombing the country, stocked to overflowing with everything the army can need in any emergency; not its ambulances, hospitals, nurses and doctors—not any of these aspects of the American Red Cross with which you are most familiar, nor at all of

ross with which you are most familiar, nor at Cross with which you are most familiar, nor at all of its wonderful work in our camps in America. Do realize that when you give a dollar to the Red Cross, it not only helps a full dollar's worth in material things (not one cent of war contributions is used for salaries or overhead expenses), but it actually watches over, comforts, cheers your boy, your neighbor's boy, at the front, the poor refugee and those in the devastated homes of Europe. Be comforted about it—it does more for you than any other dollar has ever done! other dollar has ever done!

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By Mabel Nelson Thurston

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EVERAL things annoyed Craig immeasurably. One was a crack across the corner of the ceiling. It was a very beautiful ceiling. The great ward had once been the banqueting hall of the chateau. The crack was a result of a passing call from a Boche airplane. Also, a boy called O'Connor angered him, because he was forever waving his stump of a wrist and making a joke of it. It wasn't decent. There was one of the nurses, too—the doll-faced one—that half the ward was in love with; he hated the sight of her. But the crack was the worst. The third week, the surgeon stopped beside his bed and glared at him over grimly-folded arms. "Confound you," he cried, "why won't you let down? You could be out of here in two weeks if you wouldn't keep so infernally screwed up!" Craig gave him back scowl for scowl. His voice was sullen. "How in thunder can any one let down when you keep a map of the place where hell broke loose, on your ceiling?" The surgeon's glance followed Craig's, his mind flashing back. He whistled a keen note under his breath and his cyes brightened. That night Craig was moved to another ward. It was better there, although there were things still that annoyed him; but the doll-faced nurse had vanished, and O'Connor; and, best of all, there was no crack. There was a window instead, with a patch of sky and a splendid branch of oak. Sometimes the sky was gray and the oak leaves hung dripping; but, even then, they still looked free. Again and again he awoke from a constantly-repeated dream of the trenches—when the walls seemed closing in upon him—silently, relentlessly, inexorably—and opened his eyes to the square of blue and the branch of oak lifting in the wind. There was a nurse whom he liked. He'd have hated her if he had known that he was her favorite patient, but he never guessed. She had a plain, worn, tender face, and she never fussed over him nor tried to joke. She worked quietly and steadily, and then went away. She reminded him, somehow, of that branch of oak.

and steadily, and then went away. She reminded him, some-how, of that branch of oak.

It was she who told him one day—her eyes shining, though she said no word of congratulation—that he was to

though she said no word of congratulation—that he was to be decorated.

He stared at her, and his face grew black. "Hell!" he exploded. Then he apologized awkwardly.

"It's all such a rotten muddle, decorating me!" he protested. "There isn't a soul in the world to care about me. Why couldn't it go to a fellow with a mother or a sweetheart or something?"

Being a woman, she did not whistle. Nothing about her moved or changed, except the light that flashed into her eyes. So that was it! But she said nothing till, as she finished her work on the knee, she remarked, as a commonplace, that one couldn't be a slacker even about medals.

place, that one couldn't be a slacker even about medals. He had no answer at all for that. All the same, he thought it over. Slowly, and with great respect for her, he acknowledged that she was right. It would only make it worse to kick up a row over it. So, when his five minutes came, he went through with it grimly, though it was worse than he had expected because the whole fool ward joined in. And when, a couple of hours later, she came to him, he had the medal off and under his pillow.

"I'd rather give it to you," he muttered.

The tender eyes in the plain face filled with soft laughter. "The ward would put me out. But the worst is over. Now you ought to get well."

HE did get better, but still very slowly. The tender eyes had a look as if they were waiting for something. Once in a while, she scolded gently as she took his tem-

Once in a while, she scolded gently as she took his temperature.

"You're giving me a lot of trouble—do you know it?"

That really worried him. "I could go to-day," he would insist. "It's all nonsense keeping me here. I'm sure I've kicked about it enough."

"Quite enough," she agreed. Yet, though he really tried hard after that, the temperature would not yield. And the medal under his pillow still worried him. Only once he spoke about it again.

about it again.

"It is rotten," he persisted. "If you'd seen what I've seen! Why, there are thousands of fellows that deserve it more. When a fellow gets cornered, he has to fight, so there's no merit in that. But I've seen just kids do things—on their own, you know—that they didn't have to— If you'd seen some of 'em! But no medals hung on them! I'd like to have what there is fair about that!"

"Maybe," she suggested, "the 'fairness' as you call it, times in somewhere else."

He stared at her with his feverish eyes gleaming from game young face.

gaunt young face.

"What do you mean by that?" he snapped.

"Why, most of these boys have somebody, haven't they—thers or sisters? And you said you had no one. Don't think a mother might be the equivalent of a medal, if re talking about fairness?"

He hadn't thought of it that way. He lay thinking it

He hadn't thought of it that way. He lay thinking it (r, frowningly, after she left.

And the next afternoon she brought him something. She

5 really doubtful about the wisdom of it, and her heart



was beating nervously over it, but she concealed it by an extra touch of authority, and deceived him without half trying.

"I have something for you," she said. "I don't know whether you will like it—maybe you will dislike it very much. But I've thought over all the men in the ward, and it clearly doesn't belong to anybody else; so it seems to be up to you whether you want it or not."

We waited, his old, quick frown gathering. She went on a little hurriedly, not looking at him.

"Yesterday," she explained, "a letter came addressed to the 'Postmaster, American Expeditionary Forces, Company G, Infantry.' It was from a woman in Massachusetts who had lost her own boy and wanted another one to mother. She made it very clear that she was just a plain, middle-aged body living in a little old gray farmhouse under a hill who wanted somebody to send things to. She said, of course, it might be that nobody would want her, but she hoped there'd be somebody—in memory of her own boy."

Craig lay very still. There was something defiant in the upward thrust of the gaunt young face on the pillow. His nurse stole a swift glance at it, and ended the story abruptly.

"She enclosed a letter to be given to him. This is the letter. I'm going to leave it with you. Everybody else here has somebody to write to—you said that you hadn't. And it seemed as if somebody ought to answer it—if she's old, you know, and waiting."

She put the letter beside him and turned away at once.

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She was like that—taking people for granted and then leaving them to do things. As much as he hated to, Craig knew that he would have to read the letter and answer it.

It was hours before he could bring himself to open it.

He had an absurd feeling as if the whole inquisitive ward was spying on him; yet, when he tried to catch them at it, nobody was looking; they had learned very quickly to let

him alone. Slowly, his lips set firmly, he opened the letter.

After all, it was not so bad as he expected. It was short for one thing—only three pages of the cheap country letterpaper, written in a careful, rather old-fashioned hand. as shy and stiff and wistful and quaint all at once, and al-lough he missed much of its atmosphere, enough reached him to press softly open a long-unused door to dim, nearly

forgotten things in his own life. For three years, when he was a little fellow, he had lived with an aunt whom he had loved. He knew at once that the one who wrote the letter was just such a looking woman—small and frail, with tired, kind blue eyes, and soft, straying, gray hair. She would wear blue-checked aprons, too, as his aunt did. He read it over again, something almost like a smile in his sunken eyes. She was so afraid he would not understand—that he would not believe her just "a plain, middle-aged little body without anything special about her." She confessed, with humiliation, that she was not very good at knitting—which was a disgrace when her mother had been such a famous knitter—but she could cook. She would send him some cookies and things, if he'd like them. The children did. There was a schoolhouse down the road a little way, and the children came up often—because she kept a cooky-jar! Sometimes the teacher came to supper—she was such a dear of a girl Oh, it was just a simple country life, hers; it would be dull to a man. But maybe—just possibly—if he had no mother, he'd like to think of a little countrywoman who would be so happy to do a few little things in memory of her own boy. It made life different to feel that you had some one out in the world belonging to you ever so little. And she was respectfully his, "Jane Littlefield."

T was absurd, the struggle he had to ask his nurse for paper and pencil. He raged at himself inwardly. But he got through it somehow, and she helped him by her matter-of-fact acceptance of his request. He could not, fortunately, see the triumphant light in her eyes as she turned away.

He spent two days over the letter, and, having sent it off, he began to count the weeks until he could get an answer, questioning his nurse with carefully indifferent manner. She looked at him simply and unsuspiciously as she helped

him to calculate, and he drew a breath of relief over his own cunning. She never suspected at all—he had been a bit afraid that she might.

And then, suddenly, the thing they had both been watch-

afraid that she might.

And then, suddenly, the thing they had both been watching for, came. A dozen of the patients were ordered to a convalescents' hospital, far in the rear, and Craig was one of them. He turned a startled face to her when she told him. "But—my letter! She won't know where to write!" "Can't you trust me to forward it? And as soon as you are settled, you cap send a card with the new address—"He smiled at her gayly. It was a brand-new smile that had appeared only since he had sent the letter. "Why, of course. I am a chump! Say, this is something like, isn't it? Next thing I'll be discharged, cured." "Of course you will," she replied, as if there never had been any doubt about it.

He grew very excited over it. There were a few little things that had to be gathered up 'for him, including his medal. He had quite forgotten that he had wanted to give it to her; instead, though half foolishly, he pinned it on, "because," he said whimsically, "one has to rig up for dress parade!" Oh, it was a very different boy who was going; there was no doubt about that. He said good-by to her frankly and warmly, but he never even saw her in the little crowd that gathered to wave them off. She stood behind one of the other nurses, looking after

of the other nurses, looking after them with a small crooked smile, half proud, half hurt. For that

half proud, half hurt. For that is the way our children leave us. She did not forget (she was not the forgetting kind), and soon Craig, now hobbling about on crutches, received his letter and a big package of the cookies that were warranted to keep for weeks. He read the letter over and over, chuckling to himself. It was just the kind anybody's mother writes—that was why he liked it—full of ignorant womanquestions, and foolish, fond mother warnings. He thought much, lying out in a sunny corquestions, and foolish, fond mother warnings. He thought much, lying out in a sunny corner of the grounds, about the thousands of women like her, back home. It made everything more worth while than he had realized before. Sheepishly, that afternoon, he joined a group that was being photographed by a visitor, and begged a print to send back to her. send back to her.

A LL this took a couple of months and brought it up to November, and then he had a double-star idea! At one and the same moment, he knew what he was region to send her. and the same moment, he knew what he was going to send her for Christmas and what he wanted her to send him. He could get that medal and its unfairness off his chest, and, at the same time—if she did her part—he could have a bit of family to carry about with him. After he had sent the letter, he had uncomfortable times when he got hot with shame over his "nerve," wondering if it was a horribly wondering if it was a horribly cheeky thing that he had done. He grew quite irritable until his answer came

It was a threefold answer, a Christmas box that made him an enviable magnate, a letter, and a photograph. He slipped away to open them alone, the photograph first—. It startled him, for a few moments, it was so unlike his moments, it was so unlike his aunt. It was a much younger woman, in the early forties, perhaps; her soft hair was not gray at all and her eyes looked as if they might be brown. They were beautiful eyes, braye and tender beautiful eyes, brave and tender and mothering, and the mouth was sweet and strong. Craig drew a hard breath in his bewilder-ment. "Oh, I say!" he cried.

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But in half an hour, the shock had passed; in an hour she could never have been anything else. It had been his fault, anyway—she had said she was middle-aged, and Aunt Emily—why, Aunt Emily must have been over seventy! Craig laughed out now.

"I wasn't flattering you any, was I?" he confided to the picture. "You've got one on me all right." He was sure that she would enjoy the joke with him—her mouth showed it. She looked so companionable. "Tell you what, you'd make a hit with the boys if you were here," he confided. Then it flashed across him that, perhaps, after all, the picture was not a recent one; he turned it over, and chuckled triumphantly; there had been a date, but it was scratched out. He had caught her being a woman, and loved her the better for it. Probably her hair was a little gray now, her brow a little furrowed, and she hated to tell him. But the letter told him a little. The photograph was an old one, but the only one she had. She hoped he wouldn't mind. She hadn't much to say about it, however, for she had to talk about that medal. Craig fairly squirmed, she made so much of that. On the whole, however, it was a wonderfully satisfactory mail, taking it all in all. And that night, Craig had his great inspiration. He would get out of the hospital as soon as he could and go to "school" somewhere—perhaps to a school of telegraphy. There were plenty of chances left for a fellow who had hands and eyes. And then, as soon as he was on his feet, he would go home and pay his family a visit. He grew so exhilarated over the idea, that it was hours before he got to skeeps. Veve to te fel then, as soon as he was on his feet, he would go home and pay his family a visit. He grew so exhilarated over the idea, that it was hours before he got to sleep. You see, to a fel-low who had kicked around by himself since he was a little

kid, such a commonplace thing as a family may be highly exciting. At any rate, Craig's real grip on health began that night. And six months later he was sailing home.

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He had not written her that he was coming. It was a stupid man's plan, of course, but Craig, counting impatient miles west from Boston, and never dreaming of all the woman-joys of preparation he was robbing her of, had no suspicion that his plan was not a superlative one. He tried to fancy how he would surprise her getting supper in the kitchen she had described, with its home-made rugs, and plants in the window, and the tortoise-shell cat that was too lays to catch a mouse. He haved each like this this. plants in the window, and the tortoise-shell cat that was too lazy to catch a mouse. He hoped she'd like the things he had brought her—he was so ignorant about buying things for a family, and had been too shy to ask anybody. But, deep down in his heart, he knew she'd like them; her eyes pledged that; every word in her letters—those shy, quaint, anxious letters—promised it. He drew a long breath. After all, he had a right to be excited. To be coming home to a mother for the first time in his twenty-nine years, was some adventure! And so, after two hours of it, he reached Grandon. He stood a moment looking around him, getting his bearings. It took only a moment for everything—the little country station and the glimpses of the little country town behind it, were exactly as he had known that they must be.

After a moment's hesitation, he followed her-she had passed him without a glance

He stepped across to the station agent with his eager ques-

"Can you direct me to Miss Jane Littlefield's?"

The agent, a lank, disjointed, red-headed youth, eyed him with curiosity.

"Never heard of the lady," he replied. "Where does she

That's what I'm asking you.

'Well then, you've asked me a one-er," the youth retorted cheerfully

"But-you must know," Craig urged, bewildered. "It's near the schoolhouse

near the schoolhouse."

"My friend, this thriving metropolis possesses two schoolhouses, if you please—one right here in town, and another two miles out—to which one do you refer?"

"Now you're talking." Craig's curious discomfort had vanished by now and he was all eagerness and anticipation.
"It's the country one I mean. I can find my way from

He was given the direction and started off. It was late May, and the lilacs were in bloom—great, amethyst-topped clumps of them in nearly every dooryard. He trudged on whistling, every step carrying him farther back into old memories. So he came to the white schoolhouse. Her house—his family's—must be near now. He laughed at himself for feeling so absurdly shy and eager, as if he were a kid of ten. And just then, around a curve of the road, he caught a glimpse of the little gray farmhouse. He knew it at sight—he would have known it anywhere. There were lilacs there, too—of course. They crowded so close about the house that he couldn't see it clearly. It was ridiculous, that feeling as if something was wrong. He strode on rapidly—and three minutes later was staring blankly.

For everything was wrong. The little house was closed and its path all overgrown—its gate sagging. He pushed it open impatiently and looked into one of the dim windows. The house was quite empty; and he knew, with a knowledge swifter than reason, that it had been empty for years. He drew himself together presently. He had made a mistake, of course. It might be farther on, or there might be a cross-road; he might even have passed it, carelessly, hidden behind some lilac thicket. But half an hour's searching exhausted all the possibilities—or nearly; there remained He was given the direction and started off. It was late

ing exhausted all the possibilities—or nearly; there remained the school-teacher herself—the "dear of a girl." And, just as he reached the schoolhouse, she appeared at the door to call the reached the schoolhouse, she appeared at the door to call the children in from recess—a blue-eyed slip of a girl whom Craig could have put in his pocket. Seeing him coming up the path, she waited, her bell in her hand. Craig pulled off his cap and stood looking down at her.

"I'm hunting for a friend—Jane Littlefield. Can you tell me where she lives?"

"There isn't any Jane Littlefield here," the giri replied.

"Oh, but there must be," he cried. "Isn't there some cross-road or something?"

The girl shook her head positively. "I know everybody for three miles around. She may be in the town. Have you tried there?"

"But—I was told—a little gray far m house beyond the school," Craig repeated positively. She shook her head once more. It was absurd for such a slip of a girl to be so sure about things.

It was absurd for such a slip of a girl to be so sure about things. "You see, I know everybody, and that house has been empty

for years."

He felt as if the world was whirling about him in some wild fever-dream. There was just one

dever-dream. There was just one chance left.

Slowly, he limped back to the village. He would try the post-office. If they said that there was no Jane Littlefield—

Evidently, a mail had just come in, for he met a little procession of people with letters in their hands. He thought that he might have to wait, but when he reached the building he found only one person left—a pale, poorly-dressed y ou n g woman. Then, suddenly, his heart gave a leap. The name that she called was Miss Jane Littlefield.

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After a moment's hesitation, he followed her—she had passed him without a glance.

T was not a very long way till she turned in at a doorway that evidently led to rooms over a small hardware shop. He started to follow her, but it occurred to him that she might be coing there upon some errand.

curred to him that she might be going there upon some errand. He beckoned a tow-headed urchin from the sidewalk.

"Does Miss Jane Littlefield live here?" he asked him.

"Yep. Up-stairs." The amazing dime that followed this information roused his native shrewdness. If two words brought such a harvest what might not further services bring? "I'll call her for you," he volunteered eagerly. But fortune had passed on. Craig climbed the steep stairs, his mind seething, and knocked on the first door.

The young woman herself opened it. Seen so, she had a spare, pale face and wide, tired hazel eyes that looked as if she had not had a very easy time of life.

eyes that looked as if she had not had a very easy time of life. Craig had a feeling that he wanted to be very gentle with her.

"I beg your pardon for disturbing you. I am looking for a friend of mine—Miss Jane Littlefield, and I heard you ask for her mail at the post-office, just now, and—Are you ill? Can I do anything?" he stammered awkwardly.

Her face had whitened terribly, and she had put her hand to her throat as if gasping for breath. He wondered if she were going to faint. But she didn't.

"I—it's nothing," she gasped. "You—you startled me so. Miss Littlefield is—dead."

"Dead!" He could only echo the word blankly. "But the youngster outside said she lived here."

the youngster outside said she lived here."
"She did—he didn't know she had died. He—he didn't know her, you see—" She was fluttering like some little trapped creature, looking at him with desperate pleading.
"But—there are so many things I don't understand. I

She nodded. Her voice was so faint that he almost lose it. "I know—I knew as soon as I saw you. She—she spoke of you so often—"

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Future sons of France. A peasant family from the occupied provinces

As the gray dawn broke over the station smokestacks, in all the chilliness of a December morning, I watched for the first time, spellbound, a long line of misery huddled together on a Zurich railroad platform. Wrinkled old women of four-core and ten claim.



The vivid story of the dramatic procession of French refugees through Switzerland, told by Emerin Semple Keene, daughter of the American consul-general, who, for months, helped feed and scrub and comfort them on their way back to

Their first journey at the age of eighty or ninety

mind of some poor interned prisoner of war in Switzerland, who had heard nothing of his old mother in the so-called "German Provinces." This was the only way we had of tracing the inhabitants of the once prosperous cities of Lille, Roubaix, Sedan and Valenciennes. It was and is a tremendous task. I have seen French people in Switzerland patiently and hopefully meeting every train of évacués, since the beginning, trying perhaps to find an old father, or a mother, or some other member of the family from whom they had long been separated. Communication is made impossible by the Germans. A mother in a captured village only two kilometers away from her son working in another invaded district, was unable to learn anything about him for two years.

After breakfast, one group after another was conducted across the street to the Museum court-yard, where, in a temporary wooden structure, clothing sent by the French Government was distributed. There, also, German money, now reduced to half its original was exchanged by

value, was exchanged by the Zurich bank reprecentatives. We had a well equipped shoe de-partment, and separate partment, and separate divisions for fitting out old men, women and children. Some of the people were fairly well off and preferred not to accept clothes which were, in truth, destined for the poorest. These were given articles such as handkerchiefs, or uncy base for the youngsters.

such as handkerchiefs, or fancy bags for the youngsters, simply as souvenirs of their first day of freedom. Nevertheless, the former owner of three captured chateaux put aside her pride and, in a whisper, falteringly begged for a shirt! Before they passed out, each person was handed a large cheese-cloth bag to hold his new belongings. At the exit, each bag was numbered in blue pencil, to correspond with the identification numbers pinned to each évacué, so they would not be misplaced.

misplaced.

When we were back on the station platform, in front of our car, men of the Swiss regiment on duty brought up push-carts on which were basins, hot water, soap and towels. This was a signal for a universal clean-up. We helped wash the faces and hands, and comb the matted hair of the children whose mothers had five or six infants to scrub, besides themselves. The soldiers took charge, by main force, of the strong little boys who sometimes had a cat's distrust of a wet wash-rag.

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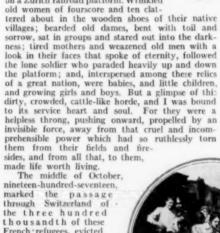
wash-rag.

When the group was finally back in the car, each conductrice distributed chocolate, souvenir postals and French newspapers, much to the noisy delight of her charges, who had, none of them, seen a home paper for almost three years, and were totally ignorant of any but the German viewpoint. Several times, girls with baskets of toys jumped onto the platform and were greeted with whoops of joy. Little Swiss flags, distributed one day by a Swedish noblewoman, brought forth enthusiastic cries of "Vive la Suisse! A bas les Boches! Merci! Merci!" till one had a lump in the throat and wanted to crywanted to build a new nation for these poor souls to whom kindness was a new, terrifying experience. For a long time, their homes had been in the streets. Beside them, from morning till night, Bel-

side them, from morning till night, Bel-gian prisoners had been dying of starvagian prisoners had been dying of starva-tion. They had been living in a world where, if their hearts happened to con-quer their judgment, and they had offered to share a cup of coffee, or a bit of bread with a fellow sufferer, it was knocked from the eager, deathlike grasp by the butt of a German gun, and the bene-factor was fined and imprisoned for a week. Is it astonishing, then, that Swit-zerland should seem like Paradise to these poor, cowed creatures?

poor, cowed creatures? Before leaving the home village, they were generally shut up for weeks in the neighboring schoolhouse or some large public building, or held in an internment camp. All their money was taken and kept by the military authorities until the day of their departure, so they had to subsist, for the time being, on the charity of the friends they were leaving behind them. Not until they had crossed the [Continued on page 28]

their beloved France.



through the three hundred thousandth of these French refugees, evicted by the German Govern ment from the invaded and devastated provinces of northern France. And they have been welcomed and cared for, and sent back home with hearts over-

back home with hearts overflowing with gratitude toward Switzerland, the little
oasis in the desert of war,
which for one happy day made
them forget many unhappy months.

Although I have been engaged in this relief work only
a year, I have seen and soothed my share of suffering; have
watched the gray throngs pass, and prayed and worked for
that peace we await to-morrow. And whenever I find
myself inwardly complaining of the heat, I have only to
remember the summer advantages of daylight and green remember the summer advantages of daylight and green trees in the tasks of early morning, for I must confess that, at six a. m., back in December, all my instincts were not charitable! I shivered like a puppy in a vestibule during those bleak walks to the station in whirling snowstorms and drizzles.

On those first dark, dreary winter mornings, the workers in our force used to gather at seven a. m. in the station waiting-room to receive instructions. workers in our lorte used to gather at seven at. In the station waiting-room to receive instructions. Attired in huge white surgeons' aprons, large enough to be worn over a heavy ulster, nurses' caps to protect our hair, and, generally, overshoes, leggings, and thick gloves, we sallied forth to await the arrival of the exiles' train. I was then what was called conductrice de wagon; that is to say, I had charge of one whole car, with a Swiss boy to do the heavy work, such as lifting out the old women. Each one of the eleven cars was numbered, and we had corresponding numbers on our sleeves, so that the évacués could recognize their own personal guides, and not get mixed up with the leader of some other division. As soon as the train pulled in, we mounted the steps of our particular car even before it had stopped, my helper at one end and I at the other. The first thing we did was to give the travelers a welcome in their mothertongue, and then make a polite dash for the windows, and open them all as quickly as possible, trying not to hurt our charges' feelings by appearing to be overcome by the lack

possible, trying not to hurt our charges' feel-ings by appearing to be overcome by the lack of air. Although the trains were heated, the women had put on themselves and their children all the clothing they possessed, so as to carry it safely away with them, and the aggregate warmth of these unwashed human beings, together with the dirt of the train, badly contaminated the atmosphere.

NE carload at a time was conducted to the restaurant and given breakfast before another was taken in. I led the way, while my aide brought up in the rear, keeping the évacués carefully between us, lest they should stray. Usually, the whole Swiss population rose in the dark to line up in the station and watch the refugees, handout oranges and little cookies to the

children as they passed.

Meanwhile, workers of the Bureau de
Recherche went about asking news of those
left behind in the invaded villages, hoping to get information which might ease









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CHAPTER VII

IR HENRY was in a pleasant and expansive humor that eve-ning. The new cook was an un-qualified success and he was conscious of having dined ex-feedingly well. He sat in a com-

ceedingly well. He sat in a comfortable easy-chair before a blazing wood fire. He had just lit one of his favorite brand of cigarettes, and his wife, whom he adored, was seated only a few feet away.

"Quite a remarkable change in Helen," he observed. "She was in the depths of depression when I went away, and to-night she seems positively cheerful."

"Helen varies a great deal," Philippa reminded him.

"Still, to-night, I must say, I should have expected to have found her more depressed than ever," Sir Henry went on. "She hoped so much from your visit to London, and you apparently accomplished nothing."

"Nothing at all."

"And you have had no letters?"

"None."

"Then Helen's high spirits, I suppose, are only part of man's natural inconsistency \* \* \* Philippa, dear!"

"Yes?"
"I am glad to be at home. I am glad to see you sitting
there. I know you are nursing up something, some little
thunderbolt to launch at me. Won't you launch it and
let's get it over?"
Philippa laid down the book which she had been reading, and turned to face her husband. He made a little
grimace.

grimace.
"Don't look so severe," he begged. "You frighten me

"Don't look so severe," he begged. "You frighten me before you begin."

"I am sorry," she said, "but my face probably reflects my feelings. I am hurt and grieved and disappointed in you, Henry."

"That's a good start, anyway," he groaned.

"We have been married six years," Philippa went on, "and I admit at once, that I have been very happy. Then the war came. You know quite well, Henry, that especially at that time I was very very fond of you; yet it never occurred to me for a moment but that, like every other woman, I should have to lose my husband for a time \* \* \* Stop please," she insisted, as he showed signs of interrupting. "I know quite well that it was through my persuasions you retired so early, but," in those days, there was no thought of war, and I always had it in my mind that if trouble came you would find your way back to where you belonged."

belonged."

"My dear child, that is all very well," Sir Henry protested, "but it's not so easy to get back again. You know that I went up to the Admiralty and offered my services, directly the war started."

"Yes, and what happened?" Philippa demanded. "You were, in a measure, shelved. You were put on a list and told that you would hear from them—a sort of Micawberlike situation with which you were perfectly satisfied. Then you took that moor up in Scotland and disappeared for nearly six months."

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"I was supplying the starving population with food," he reminded her genially. "We sent about four hundred brace of grouse to market, not to speak of the salmon. We had some very fair golf, too, some of the time."

"Oh, I have not troubled to keep any exact account of your diversions!" Philippa said scornfully. "Sometimes," she continued, "I wonder whether you are quite responsible, Henry. How you can even talk of these things when every man of your age and strength is fighting one way or another for his country, seems marvelous to me. Do you

realize that we are fighting for our very existence? Do you realize that my own father, who is fifteen years older than you, is in the firing line? This is a small place, of course, but there isn't a man left in it of your age, with your physique, who has had the slightest experience in either service, who isn't doing something."

"I can't do more than send in applications," he grumbled. "Be reasonable, my dear Philippa. It isn't the easiest thing in the world to find a job for a sailor who has been out of it as long as I have."

"So you say, but when they ask me what you are doing, as they all did in London this time, and I reply that you can't get a job, there is generally a polite little silence. No one believes it. I don't believe it."

The Zeppelin's Passenger

By E. Phillips Oppenheim

Illustrations by JAMES MONTGOMERY FLAGG

Philippa!

Sir Henry turned in his chair. His cigar was burning w idly between his fingers. His heavy eyebrows were

now idly between his fingers. His heavy eyebrows were drawn together.

"Well, I don't," she reiterated. "You can be angry, if you will—in fact, I think I should prefer you to be angry. You take no pains at the Admiralty. You just go there and come away again, once a year or something like that. Why, if I were you I wouldn't leave the place until they'd found me something—indoors or outdoors, what does it matter so long as your hand is on the wheel and you are doing your little for your country? But you—what do you care? You went to town to get a job and you came back with new mackerel spinners! You are off fishing tomorrow morning with Jimmy Dumble. Somewhere up in the North Sea, to-day and to-morrow and the next day, men are giving their lives for their country. What do you care? You will sit there smoking your pipe and catching dabs!"

"Do you know that you are almost offensive, Philippa?" her husband said quietly.

"I want to be," she retorted. "I should like you to feel that I am. In any case, this will probably be the last conversation I shall hold with you on the subject."

"Well, thank God for that, anyway!" he observed, strolling to the chimney-piece and selecting a pipe from a rack. "I think you've said about enough."

"I haven't finished," she told him ominously.

"Then, for heaven's sake, get on with it and let's have it over," he begged.

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"Listen. I give you one chance more. Tell me the truth? Is there anything in your health of which I do not know? Is there any possible ex lanation of your extraordinary behavior which, for some reason or other, you have kept to yourself? Give me your whole confidence."

Sir Henry, for a moment, was serious enough. He stood looking down at her a little wintfully.

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"My dear," he told her, "I have nothing to say except this. You are my very precious wife. I have loved you and trusted you since the day of our marriage. I am content to go on loving and trusting you, even though things should come under my notice which I do not understand. Can't you accept me the same way?"

Philippa, momentarily uneasy, was nevertheless rebellious.
"Accept you the same way? How can I! There is nothing in roy life to compare in any way with the tragedy

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She paused, as though unwilling to finish the sentence as she had be-gun. He waited patiently, however, for her to proceed.
"Of my what?"
Philippa compromised.
"Lethargy," she pronounced tri-umphantly.

umphantly.

'An excellent word," he mur-

mured.
"It is too mild a one, but you are my husband," she remarked.
"That reminds me," he said quietly, "you are my wife."
"I know it," she admitted, "but

"I know it," she admitted, "but I am also a woman, and there are limits to my endurance. If you can give me no explanation of your behavior, Henry, if you really have no intention of changing it, then there is only one course left open for me."

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"That sounds rather alarming \* \* \* what is it?" he demanded.

Philippa lifted her head a little. This was the pronouncement toward which she had been leading.

"From to-day," she declared, "I cease to be your wife."

His fingers paused in the manipulation of the tobacco with which he was filling his pipe. He turned and looked at her.

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"You what?"

"I cease to be your wife."

"How do you manage that?" he asked.

"Don't jest," she begged. "It hurts me so. What I mean is surely plain enough. I will continue to live under your roof if you wish it, or I am perfectly willing to go back to Wood Norton. I will continue to bear your name because I must, but the other ties between us are finished."

"You don't mean this, Philippa," he said gravely.

"But I do mean it," she insisted. "I mean every word I have spoken. So far as I am concerned, Henry, this is your last chance."

Sir Henry was silent. Somehow, the words of the note

Sir Henry was silent. Somehow, the words of the note he had received earlier became very distinct before his eyes. It had been pregnant with portent.

DRYMABSH.

SIR. — According to inquiries made, I find that Mr. Hamar Lessingham arrived at the Hotel this evening in time for dinner. His luggage arrived by rail yesterday. It is presumed that he came by motorcar, but there is no car in the garage, nor any mention of one. His room was taken for him by Miss Fairclough, ringing up for Lady Cranston, about seven o'clock.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN HAYLOCK.

"I presume then," he answered finally, "we can consider this conversation finished?"
"I have nothing more to say," Philippa pronounced.
"Very well, then," her husband agreed, "let us select another topic. This time, supposing I choose?"

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"You are welcome." Philippa was very quiet.

"Let us converse, then, about Mr. Hamar Lessingham."
Philippa had taken up her work. Her fingers ceased their labors but she did not look up.

"About Mr. Hamar Lessingham," she repeated. "Rather a limited subject, I am afraid."

"I am not so sure," he said thoughtfully. "For instance, who is he?"

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"I have no idea," she replied. "Does it matter? He was at college with Richard, and he has been a visitor at Wood Norton. That is all that we know. Surely that is sufficient for us to offer him any reasonable hospitality?"

"I am not disputing it," Sir Henry assured her. "On the face of it, it seems perfectly reasonable that you should be civil to him. On the other hand, there are one or two rather curious points about his coming here just now."

"Really?" Philippa murmured indifferently, bending a little lower over her work.

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"In the first place," her husband continued, "how did he arrive here?"

"For all I know," she replied, "he may have walked."

"A little unlikely. Still, he didn't come from London by either of the evening trains, and it seems that you didn't take his rooms for him until about seven o'clock, before which time he hadn't been to the hotel. So, you see, one is driven to wonder how the mischief he did get here."

"I took his rooms?" Philippa repeated, with a sudden little catch at her heart.

"Some one from here rang up, didn't they?" Sir Henry went on carelessly. "I gathered that we are introducing him at the hotel."

him at the hotel."
"Where did you hear that?" she demanded weakly.

He shrugged his shoulders, but avoided answering supports of Mr. Hamar Lessingham is scarcely worth discussing. Yet he does seem to have arrived here under a little halo of coincidence."

"I am afraid I have scarcely appreciated that," Philippa remarked. "In fact, his coming here has seemed to me the most ordinary thing in the world. After all, although one scarcely remembers that since the war, this is a health resort, and the man has been ill."

"Quite right," Sir Henry agreed. "You are not going to bed, dear?"
Philippa had folded up her work. She stood for a moment upon the hearth-rug. The little hardness which E shrugged his shoulders, but avoided answering the

moment upon the hearth-rug. The little hardness which had tightened her mouth had disappeared, her eyes had

"May I say just one word more," she begged, "about previous \* \* \* our only serious subject of converour previous \* \* \* our only serious subject of conver-sation? I have tried my best since we were married, Henry,

to make you happy You know quite well," he assured her, "that you have

"Grant me one favor, then," she pleaded. "Grant me one lavor, then," she pleaded. "Give up your fishing expedition to-morrow, go back to London by the first train, and let me write to Lord Rayton. I am sure he would do something for you. Anything would be better than this utter inactivity."

"Of course he'd do something!" her husband groaned. "I should get a censorship in Ireland, or a post as instructor at Portsmouth."
"Wouldn't you rather take either of those than nothing?" she asked—"than go on living the life you are living

"To be perfectly frank with you, Philippa, I wouldn't," he declared bluntly. "What on earth use should I be in a he declared bluntly. "What on earth use should I be in a land appointment? Why, no one could read my writing, and my nautical science is entirely out of date. Why, a cadet at Osborne could floor me in no time."

"You refuse to let me write, then?" she persisted.
"Absolutely."
"You intend to go on that fishing expedition with

"Absolutely."
"You intend to go on that fishing expedition with Jimmy Dumble to-morrow?"
"Wouldn't miss it for anything," he confessed. Philippa was suddenly white with anger.
"Henry, I've finished," she declared, holding out her hand to keep him away from her—"I've finished with you entirely. I would rather be married to an enemy who was fighting honorably for his country, than to you. What I have said, I mean \* \* Don't come near me. Don't try to touch me." try to touch me.

SHE swept past him on her way to the door.
"Not even a good-night kiss?" he aske

he asked, stooping down.

down.

She looked him in the eyes.

"I am not a child," she said scornfully.

He closed the door after her. For a moment, he remained as though undecided whether to follow or not. His face had softened with her absence. Finally, however, he turned away with a little shrug of the shoulders, threw himself into his easy-chair, and began to smoke furiously \* \* \* \*

The telephone bell disturbed his reflections. He rose at once and took up the receiver.

"Yes, this is 19, Dreymarsh. Trunk call? All right,

I am here."

He waited until another voice came to him faintly.

"Speaking."
"That's right. The message is Odino Berry. You under-

"That's right. The message is Odino Berry. You understand? O-d-i-n-o B-e-r-r-y."

"I've got it," Sir Henry replied. "Good night!"

He hung up the receiver, crossed the room to his desk, unlocked one of the drawers and produced a black memorandum book, secured with a brass lock. He drew a key from his watch-chain, opened the book, and ran his fingers down the O's.

"Odino," he muttered to himself. "Here it is—We have trustworthy information from Berlin.' Now Berry."

—He turned back—"'You are being watched by an enemy secret service agent."

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ing into the fire. "We have trustworthy information from Berlin," he repeated to himself, "that you are being watched by an enemy secret service agent."

#### CHAPTER VIII

"Tell me, Mr. Lessingham," Philippa insisted, "exactly what you are thinking of? You looked so dark and mysterious from the ridge below that I've climbed up on purpose

Lessingham held out his hand to steady her. They were standing on a sharp spur of the cliffs, the north wind blowing in their faces, thrashing into little flecks of white foam the sea below, on which the twilight was already resting. For a moment or two, neither of them could speak

"I was thinking of my country," he confessed. "I was looking through the shadows there, right across the North

Sea."
"You looked as though you were posing for the statue of some one in exile," she observed. "Come, let us go a little lower down—unless you want to stay here and be blown

"I was on my way back to the hotel," he answered quickly, as he followed her lead, "but, to tell you the truth,

quickly, as he followed her lead, "but, to tell you the truth, I was feeling a little lonely."

"That," she declared, "is your own fault. I asked you to come to Mainsail Haul whenever you felt inclined."

"As I have felt inclined ever since the evening I arrived," he remarked with a smile, "you might, perhaps, by this time have had a little too much of me."

"On the contrary," she told him, "I quite expected you yesterday afternoon, to tell me how you like the place and what you have been doing \* \* \* So you were thinking about—over there?" she added, moving her head seaward.

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about—over there?" she added, moving her head seaward.

He sighed. "'Over there' absorbs a great portion of one's thoughts," he confessed, "and the rest of them have been playing me queer tricks."

"Well, I should like to hear about the first portion,"

"Well, I should like to hear about the first portion," she insisted.
"Do you know," he replied, "there are times when, even now, this war seems to me like an unreal thing, like something I have been reading about, some wild imagining of Shelley or one of the unrestrainable poets. I can't believe that millions of the flower of our manhood and yours have perished, helplessly, hopelessly, cruelly. And France—poor, decimated France!"
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"Did we?" he answered. "I sometimes wonder. Even now, I fancy, if the official papers of every one of the nations lay side by side, with their own case stated from their own point of view, even you might feel a little confused about that. Still, I am going to be very honest with you. I think, myself, that Germany wanted war."

"There you are, then," she declared triumphantly. "The whole thing is your responsibility."

"I do not go quite so far as that," he protested. "You see, the world is governed by great natural laws. As a snowball grows larger with rolling, so it takes up more room. As a child grows out of its infant clothes, it needs the vestments of a youth and then a man. And so with

the vestments of a youth and then a man. And so with Germany. We grew and grew until our country could not hold us, until our banks could not contain our money, until

we stretched our arms out on every side and felt ourselves stifled. We came late into the world and found it parceled out, but had we not a right to our place? We made ourselves great. We needed space."

"Well," Philippa observed, "you couldn't suppose that other nations were going to give up what they had, just because you wanted their possessions, could you?"

"Perhaps not," he admitted. "And yet, you see, the immutable law comes in here. The stronger must possess—not only the stronger by arms, remember, but by intellect, by learning, by proficiency in science, by utilitarianism. The really cruel part, the part I was thinking of then, as I looked out across the sea, is that this crude and miserable resource to arms should be necessary."

"If only there were a few more Germans as broadminded and reasonable as you," Philippa sighed, "one feels that there might be some hope for the future!"

"I am not alone," he assured her, "but, you see, over all my country there is spread, like a spider's web, the lay religion of the citizen—devotion to the Government, blind obedience to the Kaiser. Independent thought has made Germany great in science, in political economy, in economics. But independent thought is never turned toward our political destinies. Those are shaped for us. For good or for evil, we have learned obedience."

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"You have helped me to understand a little," Philippa

said. "You put things so gently and yet so clearly. But tell me, have not you, yourself, felt the personal hatred of it all?"
"Miscrably," he confessed; "and yet, when the tocsin sounded, I never hesitated. I have large estates in Bavaria, and many interests there. I forgot them all. I heard no voice save the voice of those whom I had sworn to obey. I was in that mad rush through Belgium. I was wounded voice save the voice of those whom I had sworn to obey. I was in that mad rush through Belgium. I was wounded in the foot at Maubeuge, or else I should have followed hard on the heels of that wonderful retreat of yours. As it was, I lay for many months in a hospital. I joined again—shall I confess it?—almost unwillingly. The blood-thirstiness of it all sickened me. I fought at Ypres, but I think that it was something of the courage of despair, of black misery. I was wounded again and decorated. I suppose I shall never be fit for the front again. I tried to turn to account some of my knowledge of England and English life. Then they sent me here."

HERE, of all places in the world!" Philippa repeated wonderingly. "Just look at us! We have a single line of railway, a perfectly straightforward system of roads, the ordinary number of soldiers being trained, no mysteries, no industries—nothing. What terrible scheme are you at work upon, Mr. Lessingham?"

He smiled. "Between you and me," he confided, "I am not at all sure that I am not here on a fool's errand—at least, I thought so when I arrived."

She glanced up at him. "And why not now?"

He made no answer, but their eyes met, and Philippa looked hurriedly away. There was a moment's queer, strained silence. Before them loomed up the outline of Mainsail Haul.





"Will you promise that you will never send me away hungry?" he asked, dropping his voice for a moment

"You will come in and have some tea, won't you?" she invited

invited.

"If I may. Believe me," he added, "it has only been a certain diffidence that has kept me away so long."

She made no reply, and they entered the house together. They found Helen and Nora, with three or four young men from the Depot, having tea in the drawing-room. Lessingham slipped very easily into the pleasant little circle. If a trifle subdued, his quiet manners, and a sense of humor which every now and then displayed itself, were most attractive. tractive

"Wish you'd come and dine with us and meet our colonel, sir," Harrison asked him. "He was at Magdalen a few years after Major Felstead, and I am sure you'd find plenty to talk about."

"I am quite sure that we should," Lessingham replied.
"May I come, perhaps, toward the end of next week? I am making most strenuous efforts to lead an absolutely quiet life here."

"Whenever you like, sir. We sha'n't be able to show you

"Whenever you like, sir. We sha'n't be able to show you anything very wild in the way of dissipation. Vintage port and a decent cigar are the only changes we can make for

and a decent cigar are the only changes we can make for guests."

Philippa drew her visitor to one side presently, and made him sit with her in a distant corner of the room.

"I knew there was something I wanted to say to you," she began, "but, somehow or other, I forgot when I met you. My husband was very much struck with Helen's improved spirits. Don't you think that we had better tell him, when he returns, that we have heard from Major Felstead?"

Lessingham agreed. "Just let him think that your letters came by post in the ordinary way," he advised. "I shouldn't imagine from what I have seen of your husband, that he is a suspicious person; but it is just possible that he might have associated them with me if you had mentioned them the other night. When is he coming back?"

"I never know." Philippa answered with a sigh. "Perhaps to-night, perhaps in a week. It depends upon what sport he is having. You are not smoking."

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"I find your husband," he said quietly, "rather an interesting type. We have no men like that in my country. He esting type. We na

Philippa glanced up to find her companion's dark fixed upon her.

"There is very little about Henry that need puzzle any "There is very little about Henry that need puzzle any one," she complained bitterly. "He is just an overgrown, spoilt child, devoted to amusements, and following his fancy wherever it leads him. \* \* \* Why do you look at me, Mr. Lessingham, as though you thought I was keeping something back? I am not, I can assure you."

"Perhaps I was wondering," he confessed, "how you really felt toward a husband whose outlook was so unnatural."

She looked down at her intertwined fingers. "Do you know," she said softly, "I feel, somehow or other, although we have known each other such a short time, as though we were friends, and yet that is a question which I could not answer. A woman must always have some secrets, you

A man may try sometimes to preserve his," he sighed, "A man may try sometimes to preserve his, he signed, "but a woman is clever enough, as a rule, to dig them out."

A faint tinge of color stole into her cheeks. She welcomed Helen's approach almost eagerly.

"A woman must first feel the will," she murmured, without glancing at him. \* \* "Helen, do you think we dare ask Mr. Lessingham to come and dine?"

"Please do not discourage such a delightful suggestion," Lessingham begond eagerly.

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"I haven't the least idea of doing so," Helen laughed,
"so long as I may have—say just ten minutes, to talk about

"It is a bargain," he promised.
"We shall be quite alone," Philippa warned him, "unless Henry arrives."

"It is the great attraction of your invitation," he confessed.

"At eight o'clock, then."

#### CHAPTER IX

APTAIN GRIFFITHS to see your ladyship."

Philippa's fingers rested for a moment upon the keyboard of the piano before which she was seated aiting Lessingham's arrival. Then she glanced at the

keyboard of the pains because awaiting Lessingham's arrival. Then she glanced at the clock. It was ten minutes to eight.

"You can show him in, Mills, if he wishes to see me."

Captain Griffiths was ushered into the room—awkward, unwieldy, nervous as usual. He entered as though in a hurry, and there was nothing in his manner to denote that he had spent the last few hours deciding whether or not to make this visit.

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"I must apologize for this most untimely call, Lady Cranston," he said, watching the closing of the door, "I will not take up more than five minutes of your time."

"We are very pleased to see you at any time, Captain Griffiths," Philippa said hospitably. "Do sit down, please."

Captain Griffiths bowed but remained standing.
"It is very pear your dipper-time I know Lady Crans-

"It is very near your dinner-time, I know, Lady Cranston," he continued apologetically. "The fact of it is, however, that, as commandant here, it is my duty to examine the credentials of any strangers in the place. There is a gentleman named Lessingham staying at the hotel, who I understand gave your name as reference."

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Philippa's eyes looked larger than ever, and her face more innocent, as she gazed up at her visitor.

"Why, of course, Captain Griffiths," she said. "Mr. Lessingham was at college with my brother, and one of his best friends. He has shot down at my father's place in You are speaking of your brother, Major Felstead?"

"My only brother

"My only brother."

"I am very much obliged to you, Lady Cranston," Captain Griffiths declared. "I can see that we need not worry any more about Mr. Lessingham."

Philippa laughed. "It seems rather old-fashioned to think of your having to worry about any one down here," she

observed. "It really is a very harmless neighborhood, isn't it?"

observed. "It really is a very harmless neighborhood, isn't it?"

"There isn't much going on, certainly," the commandant admitted. "Very dull the place seems at times."

"Now be perfectly frank," Philippa begged him. "Is there a single fact of importance which could be learned in this place worth communicating to the enemy? Is the danger of espionage here worth a moment's consideration?"

"That," Captain Griffiths replied in somewhat stilted fashion, "is not a question which I should be prepared to answer off-hand."

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Philippa shrugged her shoulders and appealed almost feverishly to Helen, who had just entered the room.

"Helen, do come and listen to Captain Griffiths! He is making me feel quite creepy. There are secrets about, it seems, and he wants to know all about Mr. Lessingham."

Helen smiled with complete self-possession.

"Well, we can set his mind at rest about Mr. Lessingham, can't we?" she observed, as she shook hands.

"We can do more," Philippa declared. "We can help him to judge for himself. We are expecting Mr. Lessingham for dinner, Captain Griffiths. Do stay."

"I couldn't think of taking you by storm like this," Captain Griffiths replied, with a wistfulness which only made his voice sound hoarser and more unpleasant. "It is most kind of you, Lady Cranston. Perhaps you will

Captain Griffiths replied, with a wistfulness which only made his voice sound hoarser and more unpleasant. "It is most kind of you, Lady Cranston. Perhaps you will give me another opportunity."

"I sha'n't think of it," Philippa insisted. "You must stay and dine to-night. We shall be partie carrée, for Noragoes to bed directly after dinner. I am ringing the bell to tell Mills to set an extra place," she added.

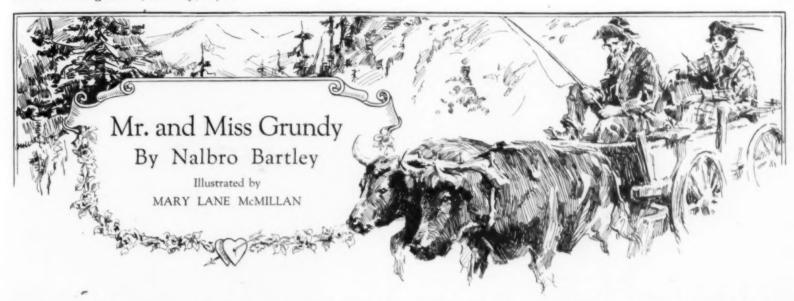
Captain Griffiths abandoned himself to fate with a little shiver of complacency. He welcomed Lessingham, who was presently announced, with very much less than his usual reserve, and the dinner was in every way a success. Toward its close, Philippa became a little thoughtful. She glanced more than once at Lessingham, who was sitting by her side, almost in admiration. His conversation, gay at times, always polished, was interlarded continually with those little social reminiscences inevitable amongst men moving in a certain circle of English society. Apparently, Richard Felstead was not the only one of his college friends with whom he had kept in touch. The last remnants of Captain Griffiths' suspicions seemed to vanish with their second glass of port, although his manner became in no way more genial. "Don't you think you are almost a little too daring?" Philippa asked her favored guest, as he helped her, afterward, to set out a bridge table.

He smiled. "One adapts one's methods to one's adversary," he murmured. "Your friend Captain Griffiths had only the very conventional suspicions. The mention of a few good English names, acquaintance with the ordinary English sports, is quite sufficient with a man like that."

Helen and Griffiths were talking at the other end of the room. Philippa raised her eyes to her companion's.

"You become more of a mystery than ever," she declared. "You are making even me curious. T'll me, really, why you have paid us this visit from the clouds?"

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RUNDY was leaving Sangster's private office, shaking hands with the boyish young manager and saying pleasantly, "I wish I might return this favor. But it isn't likely, is it? However, you've a friend that you can always call on—at—at—well, I'll send you my new address."

"Do, Mr. Ganson. Been good to meet you. If you don't mind my saying so, I wish you'd reconsider the thing—just let me tell Mrs. Ganson that you came in person to deliver your charge. Seems to me such a splendid woman and such a—"he floundered in confusion.

"Not a word—positively. She would be awfully disturbed if she ever thought I'd been keeping this for her—just let her think that I put it here fifteen years ago—at the time of our divorce—don't you see? I really ought to have done so, I suppose, but—well, I didn't. I'm within the time limit, anyway. Of course, if Aunt Pensey had dreamed of a divorce, she wouldn't have left me confidential keeper of my wife's money. Can't ever see far ahead, can we?"

"No," the younger man shook his head. "Of course, I'll do as you say. The other stuff is safe in the vault—I've often heard my father speak of it. He liked Pensey Jessup."

"A fine woman—my wife was like her." Grundy straightened himself up. "Thank's again—good afternoon,"

Outside, he walked wearily down to the station. It was a relief to walk. He kept putting his heels down hard to convince himself that this was not some fantastic night-mare, that he would wake up to find himself back in his carved gilt bed, with a tray of chocolate and rolls waiting beside him.

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He must hurry back to arrange for the sale of his things. Then he would sit down in a quiet, second-rate hotel room to decide what he should best do. He would write Kirby a letter telling him he had lost his money and was going away for a while—but no, Kirby might repeat the news and she might suspect. And there was Laurie—Laurie whom Kirby had loved and who, by the simple suggestion of a girl's boarding-school, had turned and denounced that love! After years of idle pleasure, would Laurie come to know sublime self-sacrifice?

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Sunday was the twelfth—and Mary was expected in the office on Saturday morning, Sangster said—and then she would find her legacy. Thank heaven, she was no bothering business woman to ferret out the weak corners of the thing and unearth the truth. He could picture her in a shimmery gray gown, with a big sweeping hat, a trifle pale and worn looking, but with the same glorious beauty of an October afternoon. She would sit in the straight-backed chair he had occupied and begin by saying that she felt forty was the time for birthdays to stop being counted—this with her low, musical laugh and a twinkle of the azure eyes. She would receive his sympathy for the failure and tell him in her earnest, brave fashion that worse things might have come to her; she might have lost her daughter. Then she would clasp her hands and tilt her head back and say with just a suggestion of a sob, "Tve come for my teapot, please."

And he would get out the package

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And he would get out the package from the vault, sealed and tied and addressed in Aunt Pensey's cramped, queer writing. And as she cut the strings and broke the seals with a thousand memories sweeping over her of all that had gone before, Sangster would tell of the real extent of the legacy—not alone the rare plate—but a million dollars in gold certificates, a curious whim of this Scotch aunt's to hold it in trust, also.

The blue eyes would turn violet with sudden emotion and she would say slowly, "A million dollars!" And then she would wire Laurie.

Well, he could climb down out of the stocks and pillory of a gilded fool that he had voluntarily thrust himself into. He could jostle with the care-less crowd of breadwinners. In his heart there would be a throbbing, glad refrain that would brave the hard-ships—"sublime self-sacrifice"—and the knowledge that the task set him by the woman he loved had been well

It was such a wilderness with a baffling fall mist and snow-capped

peaks bearing down on her that overwhelmed the small figure in a bobbed coat of red, yellow and black with its plaid turban, feathered Indian-wise, huddled lonesomely in a corner of the station. The beauty of the Canadian Rockies is not the paramount feature when one has stolen many thousand miles from a select finishing-school, packed her things in the dead of night and slipped away.

Laurie was tired. Four days and nights in the coast train had exhausted her stout resolves, and confused the well-prepared speech with which she had planned to greet Martin. Her mother's wisely chosen words when packing kept recurring to her with unceasing force % % "A strong, good man of Martin's type,"—"Martin is, of course, very unusual, he loves only once"—"Well, everybody can't win in love, can he—and he took it so bravely!" And a little later, after the detestable school-baby frocks were laid in the trunk, "It will be a long, lonesome winter for Martin; fancy it, alone in his bungalow, fighting away the memory of the one person he loves. But he's brave and he will fight it away. A more ordinary person after such a disaster would have done foolish things." She mused on those hateful weeks at school—she, Laurie, daughter of Grundy, trying to feed her mind on the glitter of new gilt dancing boots; pretending to enjoy fudge parties and to like the funny, dull-faced girls who tittered of love and life and thrilling novels. She laughed at the thought of her lessons—a choked, nervous little laugh. Then the native in a big rough ulster came to tell her the ox team was ready.

She climbed up on the seat and fell again to musing on school trivialities. French verbs and a little delicate history; some exercises to make one's arms graceful; reading Evangeline and daubing away at a copy of The Lion of St. Mark's; listening to the inane chattering of her classmates; trying to smile and courtesy every time Madame Piquot swept through the room; and pretending to be shocked with the latest sensation, whispered about at recreation hour—"that

and that the person who had left the cover of the baby grand piano off after her practise hour was to be publicly reprimanded!"

reprimanded!"

Then she remembered how at night visions of Grundy's laughing, elegant self with his queer, rich clothes and blase manner, of her mother with all her charming, forceful wisdom, of Martin's soft, gentle, brown eyes looking down at her had beat in on her consciousness as she lay in her small, white bed at Madame Piquot's and sobbed.

There had been a day when the school went wild with excitement. Madame Piquot was to lecture on preparing one's trousseau. And after they had assembled in the reception-hall, the entire twenty-nine little flappers and the one flame-haired stranger who had known the wonder of a lover's kiss, the Madame, stately and impressive, rose and discoursed on the necessary articles for a bride's first season and ended briefly: "Young ladies, when you are married, go to housekeeping—if it's only under an umbrella!"

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At which Laurie fled in rank disregard of the fire drill. She put her hands up to her head with her father's familiar gesture, and told herself over and over that she was a miserable, mean-intentioned, ungrateful person. Then one day, when she had been able to endure it no longer, she had planned her going. There had been a temptation to wire Mary. But a strange dignity befell her—this was her own affair; not even her mother might share it—not until afterward.

The ox team creaked over the winding road overhung with great, jagged, frowning peaks. They almost frightened Laurie. The driver sat unconcernedly beside her. He had begun to talk to her once or twice, but had each time quickly coughed to cover the attempt. Now he was a little braver. "A fright, these roads—sister of Mr. Kirby's?"

Laurie shook her head. She was busy wondering about the furore her departure had caused. But she had left a careful note explaining that she was going home and that Madame could wire her mother at her New York address!

That would give her time, she figured, to reach Martin before the wire would be forwarded to Bonnicrest, since it was liable to lay neglected on the hallboy's desk. She did not want any one to worry about her—not—not even Grundy.

"Hired girl?"

"No."
"Ga-lang, ga-lang," he spoke to the oxen. "There's some goods from the states for him—books, I think. He's a great reader, Mr. Kirby is—got

money, too."
"Is—is it very much further?"
The enormity of her undertaking had begun to grow more and more appall-

"Nother two hours," he returned

"Nother two hours," he returned comfortingly.

A sharp wind swept over the uncovered cart. The trees groaned as if dreading the coming icebound days. All along rose the mountain peaks, some white and lofty, others vanishing in the clouds. Now and then a bit of railroad track gleamed in the distance and, once, the peak of a hotel was silhouetted sharply against the reddish sky.

"Chinese waiters, there—or Japs—don't know which," volunteered her driver. "Cars stop thirty minutes for lunch—ten minutes to eat and twenty minutes to buy souvenirs."

A little further along, he pointed with his whip-lash. "Suicide cove—two brides threw themselves across the tracks—husbands came out to take up claims—got lonesome—only two trains a day pass—one going east and one going west."

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This time Laurie smiled. She was thinking of the loneliness that had haunted her in the midst of civilization; while here, plodding on to Marttin's bungalow, she felt a sense of home and peace.

On and on, creaking and rocking, and twisting and turning, they plod-ded through a fog that shut out the beauties of the ride. Martin had often told her how he drove his car n to get supplies—once, she thought he heard the toot of an automobile, but it was a forest sound that sent her

heart pounding so.

Suppose he didn't want her—that
he had changed—or had gone on one
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Why, Grundy, I planned to have this end just so."
You planned this—this runaway marriage?" this runaway marriage?



### Jerusalem Unbound—A Prophecy Fulfilled

When the Ends of the Earth take the Gospel of Good-Will back to Palestine, where it was First Proclaimed, then, truly, the Nazarene will have Conquered

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EE yon mighty rock east from this gorge? When the gods fashion a giant's altar like that, it behooves us to reverence it. There's a cave of the secrets of the earth-spirits hidden beneath. I know in truth, for once I sacrificed there when thy mother prayed to the Baal for thy birth." The speaker was one of those nomadic compromises between shepherd and farmer who, to this day, symbolize the age-long struggle and passage from the most ancient life of the desert Arab to that of the settler in the better lands of Canaan. He stood with his son on the flank of the next hill east of Jerusalem. It was forty centuries ago. They descended to the valley of Kidron and moved under the south slope of Zion toward the one spring of water in all the region where the Holy City now stands. At the present day, the Mosque of Omar covers the great stone of sacrifice. That afternoon, the shaykh and his son moved their thirsty flock toward the single lustrous eye of water, where a meager half-score of solid huts and a eye of water, where a meager half-score of solid huts and a few dugouts guarded the sacred rock and its awesome cave. That this spot was the center of the world to them they knew, but, that it would become the pinnacle of prayer for the earth's millions, they had as little means of knowing as for thinking that the earth was round or that ten thousand miles away on its other side men would invent a machine with which to By in the air. miles away on its other sid with which to fly in the air.

Palestine, that little land of mighty consequence, is about the size, shape, and somewhat the physical contour of our State of New Hampshire. Jerusalem is a little city, as cities go nowadays, of perhaps sixty, perhaps seventy thousand souls—who but Allah knows! Turkish figures—like Turk-ish sanitation—are haphazard! But it has a high wall all around it that is the delight of antiquarians. Stones may be found it that is the deaght of antiquarians. Stones may be found in that wall from every great period of human history. Big stones are there from the time of Herod, who did a great deal of building; medium-sized stones from the time of the Crusaders; little ones from that of later Arab

The corner of the limestone plateau on which Jerusalem stands, hangs out over the two valleys, Kidron and Hinnom. We can see, now, the cisterns cut out of rock, the sacred spring, the underground channels for the water supply in times of siege, and read, like a book, the story of the wars in the times of the great kings and the greater prophets, Isaiah and Jeremiah. No wonder that the Assyrians and isalan and Jeremian. No wonder that the Assyrians and the Babylonians felt they must bring this marvelous strong-hold to submission or lose their hold on Palestine. But David—that lovable, magnetic darline of the He-

-with his hardy mountaineers, took this village from brews—with his hardy mountaineers, took this village from the Jebusites because he needed a strong capital between his northern and southern Hebrew tribes. With his new capi-tal, he accomplished the nearly impossible. He made it the hinge on which to swing the political fortunes of north and south in a harmony, like the upper and lower arm of a man. But that period of Jerusalem's history most revered, most

pregnant with meaning to the modern Christian world, was

that brief interval during which that tenderest, most heroic of men—Christ, lived. He died on a slope near the city, now the cynosure of the ages. There He caught up the eternal line of life in momentary death.

In the nearly two thousand years since Jesus died, Jerusalem has been in Christian control but a trifle over four hundred. But once again, has it come to us: this

four hundred. But, once again, has it come to us; this time, the Christian world believes, to stay.

It was a Sabbath day. Two men, gaunt and haggard with anxious watchings, stood in the southern quarter of Jerusalem excitedly exclaiming over the bit of paper that had fluttered like a feather from the swooping aeroplane high over them. Suffering had deepened the facial lineaments of the faces of these descendants of the ancient folk of the city, had tightened the bond of brotherhood between their different faiths; so that they made swift agreement in their common peril. The Gentile slit the letter open and the other devoured

The Gentile slit the letter open and the other devoured the short note written in Hebrew, French and Arabic: "Jerusalem is cut off by besiegers who are your friends!" Their hands trembled. An eager hope lighted up the gray pallor of their faces, and they said to each other, "Now God be praised. Quick, into the house!"

Over in the camp of the Allies who were coming closer and closer to the Holy City, a captain of engineers—a spare Briton with the face of a scientist and a mystic—was speaking in the Arabic tongue to a village shaykh, when a weirdly plaintive wail came in shattering notes on the wind from the southwest country.

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"Captain, may I ask what that is?" said a major nearby,

to whom Syria was a new land.

The captain looked at his Arab friend. "Women or men, oh shaykh?" he asked.

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"Women, excellency," said the Arab.

"Then," replied the captain, "that plaintive melody means that there is a mourning celebration in Bayt—just beyond us. Had it been men's voices, with the same tune, we might have seen a wedding celebration."

"Oh, I say," broke in the major, "do they take on that way for long?"

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"Yes." The captain had spent several survey campaigns in these beloved hills. "Shaykh Asaad, here, tells me that a notable hero from that village is dead, slain in last night's sortie with us against the Turks, and that the countryside is in furious gloom. Let us go nearer and see what is hap-

Then these good souls came near to Bayt, and paid bute with others visiting the stricken village. The chant tribute with others visiting the stricken village. The chant continued, now rising, now falling, but ever clearer until the threshing-floor was reached where the disheveled women with soot-marked faces and woful step circled the floor, mourning in a weird, sad song, the death of their mounted

That night, when the forward movement was prepared from Neby Samevil, the ancient Mizpah of Samuel, the ma-

jor passed the captain and murmured: "I'm sorry for that shaykh. He'll not see Jerusalem taken."
"We are going in to take it, then?"
"Nothing else," was the steady word of the major from the West: "I feel it in my bones."

The next morning gave many a man his first glimpse of one of the fairest sights on earth. But not too suddenly. The heavy fogs intermitted, but for one brief space the light kindled on the dome of Omar. The buildings sparkled in the mist and the enclosing wall rimmed them in as a treasure from the wilderness of the surrounding hills. "Jerusalem has come into Christendom," flashed over the hills of Palestine to the world.

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The folk of the earth have waited long for this. Before The folk of the earth have waited long for this. Before the world-war, Jerusalem was visited each year by ten thousand Russian pilgrims, most of them peasants. As they landed at Jaffa and kissed the soil, they were mute with the accomplishment of a lifetime's dream. As they trudged through the country, they broke into singing and, with garlands plucked from the roadside, hailed the glad day of the Christian faith. Other nations sent their devout common people by thousands to meet on common holy ground and to express their fellowship away from their Kings and empires. The Hebrew pilgrims from Europe reached Palestine, compelled, oftentimes, to go by way of America, where they took out papers of citizenship to permit them to land in Syria. And now this holy land of their pilgrimages is theirs, is ours, is Christianity's recovered shrine, where peoples of all faiths may worship and live.

THE Turks have gone." The whisper and then the cry went by the underground throughout the city of Jerusalem. Naomi with her little brother ran for the door and the long-forbidden street to play and to laugh aloud. But a grip from the loving hand of her father held her. "Back and hide in the charcoal bags; the worst is coming." Oh those hours between the going of the Turks. coming." Oh, those hours between the going of the Turks and the coming of the English! True, the army was scuttling toward Jericho in ridiculous haste, and the old oppressor was gone; but the scum of the city, Jerusalem's underworld, burst on the scene, organized in a rough, sinister way, to make that awful day long remembered. Pilfering, institute and torrow mounted to their wicked climar. The jostling, and terror mount houses were sealed again. to their wicked cli Battles were fought in the dark stones were hurled from roofs, smothered screams started

and then went dumb.
"Oh, God, send help; send now." Children and wome crouch—huddled heaps in dark corners. Suddenly, as the

wind drops, falls a peace and a quiet on the city
"The troops are coming."

Never was conqueror more joyously received. are spread as in other days of splendor, but dark faces glow with joy, and children laugh in the streets. An English-man, on foot, followed by French, Italian, and American aides, pass through the Jaffa Gate close by David's Tower.
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"You can read your verses with any high-brow you meet at an afternoon tea. But you have to live with your husband!"

HEN people heard that Rhoda Proctor was engaged again, they smiled. Temperamental, piquant, changeful Rhoda! Modern, inde-

piquant, changeful Rhoda! Modern, independent, emancipated Rhoda! When they heard who the man was, they whistled.

Clive Warrener! The very last man in the world. So sensible, so practical, so level-headed! One would have expected him to see right through Rhoda's pretty little airs and graces. As a matter of fact, Rhoda was thoroughly sincere, which made her all the more dangerousher butterfly instability, her delicately adventurous elusiveness. But a man in love, his friends reminded each other, sees appallingly little.

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In point of fact, Clive did see—everything. He knew exactly what he was "in" for, and was delighted—and proud—to be "in" for just that. Many a sensible, far-sighted man flatters himself that he can tame will-o'-the-visps and domesticate humming-birds. The unattainable—he is the man to attain it. The elusive—he is the man to grasp it, quite

to attain it. The clusive in without mischief to gossamer wings.

For her part, Rhoda liked Clive because she found him "original" and "advanced." She admired his blunt directness, his way of looking you right between the eyes and given and experience oughter. It was good to be treated ing—and expecting—no quarter. It was good to be treated as a grownup, responsible person, instead of always as a pretty girl. She liked Clive, too, for his clear-cut, upstanding good looks, his suggestion of "drive" and power. Most of all she liked him, though her modern introspectiveness never let her find it out, for the same illogical reason that never fails, whatever the culture of the persons concerned. The old song has put it for all time "Because You're You." The one, unanswerable reason.

It was, indeed, hard not to look at Rhoda as merely a pretty girl, she was, so very evidency, just that. Hard, too, to guess that she was stirring with all the strange yeasts of

the day—queer, new, daring doctrines she only partly un-derstood and had by no means assimilated. One associated advanced ideas with unfemininely broad shoulders, equally broad-soled shoes, and a complete disdain of small co-quetries; whereas Rhoda was an elfin, woodsy symphony of gold and brown in the artistic, flowery yellows she so much affected, with her sun-kissed chestnut hair, clear, sun-warmed pallor and topaz-brown eyes. She had, too, an appealing, disarming smile—the sort of smile that went by rights with 1840 frocks and 1840 fainting spells; a deep dimple of mischief in each smooth cheek; pretty, restless ways; a dancer's foot; and an inquiring, beseeching glance. This inquiring glance was really her key-note. "Is it you?" her wide eyes asked. "Surely it is you?" "Can't it possibly be you this time?" After that, she would turn away, forlornly, or break her newest tentative engagement.

Clive began well. He wrote at once to the aunt with whom Rhoda was to summer at the south shore, in an artists' colony—an aunt who chanced to be a connection of his own—proposing for himself an early visit. Sarah Walpole, a keen-eyed, charmingly malicious lady, acquiesced. She said it would give Rhoda and him a chance to get acquinted since they had become engaged on rather less than She was sorry, she added, they had no acquaintance at all. no acquaintance at all. She was sorry, she added, they had not consulted her before announcing anything. The fall would have been amply soon—if there had been, then, still something to announce. Clive replied, naming his train. As to the fall, he remarked, he expected to be married by that

The minute he looked at Rhoda, who met him at the flower-set station, he knew he was on the right road. And he proceeded to follow up his advantage industriously. He was "advanced" enough to feel that no woman is so bound to the man she loves as the woman whose friendships

are left free; to profess that no woman can know one man at all unless she know others to compare him with.

So he encouraged Rhoda to enjoy the society of several unattached young men of the colony whose friendship would be culturally to her advantage. Young Innes, for example, might be able to discover why it was that, though very good at painting children—pretty, little pictures in themselves—she was decidedly unsuccessful with older people, whose faces had begun to interpret their characters.

Then there was Charley Crafts, in whose music she found inspiration. Clive liked it himself, when it wasn't too intricate to allow him to follow the tune. As for Paul Dangerfield, the

to follow the tune. As for Paul Dangerfield, the poet, Clive couldn't see much sense in his things, though some people thought them epoch-making. He never could bear men with waved fair hair and shining

Rhoda started in to have a wonderful summer. swam in the morning rather conservatively; painted in the afternoon, well attended, or had music with Charley, or free verse with Paul. At five-thirty, she slipped across the moors to meet Clive.

The young people offered freely the story of their re-spective days. And the fact that they saw comparatively little of each other, made each conversation seem like their How wonderful to come to each other freshly, like

this!

Of course, some men in Clive's position would have been jealous and miserable. But Clive, luckily, had more sense. Seeing no further than the loved one's eyes spelled stagnation. They thanked fortune they were not like that. What an exchange of friendly gossip! Young Innes wanted Rhoda to "sit" for him down on the rocks, with a background of blue and white surf and bluer sky.

Just the thing, Clive agreed, as they were strolling home one afternoon. The youngster could make her a wedding present of the picture. He'd have the canvas framed into the chimney-piece of his study, where he could look at her on dark days, against a summer sky.

"Be sure he makes you beautiful enough," he warned, leaning audaciously close, for the paths across the moor were not unfrequented.

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She went on to tell him how she'd been lifted out of herself by some nocturne of Charley's; she had felt within her the stirrings of achievement. And Clive, his unartistic ears ringing with some popular snatch he'd picked up in the city, nodded intently.

A ND the poet?" he asked, with particular cordiality, "still chopping his prose into two-inch bits?" He always made it a point to be first to mention the poet. How Rhoda glowed and sparkled! "He's doing some wonderful things, Clive. You can imagine what an experience it is to watch them taking shape—thoughts that may some day reach"—she threw out a swift, expressive hand—"a whole nation."

"What is he rhyming about now, Buttercup?"

"Just the little things of every day—the intimate experiences of sensitive people, delicate but deep. And universal as—life."

"Tell me some of them."

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"Oh, I don't know that I can. You'd laugh."
"Coarse-grained as that, am I? Now, Buttercup!"
Rhoda flushed delightfully. "Well, you know it's hard tell those things. They need the master's language. In

plain prose—"
"If there's a big thought, little one, the language doesn't

Rhoda leaned her shoulder to his for a second—the phantom of a caress. "You know, a big, strong, practical man like you doesn't take much stock in—moonshine, And some of Paul's best things are so delicate and clusive. That one he wrote to me, now-

some of Paul's best things are so delicate and clusive. That one he wrote to me, now—"
"To you?"
"Yes. 'The Yellow Butterfly'. Why, it was so true it frightened me." She shuddered prettily. "I'd no idea he knew me so well."

Clive's ready laugh was well-managed. "Showed you black and unsuspected depths, did he?"
She flushed still more rosily. "No depths at all! A butterfly, you know, flits and flashes. Opalescent, impermanent." She smiled a bit ruefully. It is not every girl who has to endure the implication of being a butterfly, and she was conscious of her responsibility. "Perhaps you're making a mistake, Clive!"

He put a firm hand on her round forearm. "I'll take a chance on that, my girl."

She rushed on, as if something had been weighing on her modern conscience. "Then there's another bit about congenial friendship, and intellectual intercourse—" She drew an ecstatic sigh. "Paul's wonderful to read poetry with. You don't care for real poetry, Clive. The last time we tried to read something serious together, you went to sleep!" She made a rallying grimace at him, then swept on. "Why, Clive, it's a revelation. He opens up new vistas of delight—things beyond anything you'd ever dreamed of!"

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"It means the whole world to me, Clive, to know some one who can meet me half-way in these things—to have an interpreter as a friend."

Clive's dark brows met over his narrowed eyes, but his voice remained light and pleasant. "You must always have what friends you need, Rhoda, to satisfy every demand of your nature. That, we've always agreed, makes for the full life, the rounded human experience."

SOON after this, Rhoda suggested painting a portrait of her fiancé. If he was to have young Innes' picture of her, it was but fair she should have her picture of him. He'd never be any better-looking or younger than he was this very summer. Besides, she scrutinized him with ss, you never really know a face till you've tried to paint it.

It was Sunday afternoon on the rocks, and they were, for the moment, alone. Clive leaned over her suddenly; he had never seen her looking prettier or more responsive. "I know your face," he said, in an ardent whisper. She patted his hand. "Not that way, Clive. No one but an artist could do that."

"A painter, you mean?"

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"An artist in song, or words, or pigments."

Clive gave himself resolutely to her thought. "How could an artist in song, for instance—"

Rhoda made a pretty, fluttering gesture. "A great musician could—play me. Can't we put it like that? A great painter could draw me. A great—poet could give you an unforgetable picture in words."

With the summer wind whipping her golden draperies about her, the summer sun gilding her shining hair, the reflections from the dazzling water dancing over her whitecamellia skin, she was entrancing. In spite of her pedantry, Clive could not see beyond the glowing topaz of her eyes. "Leave me outside the charmed circle, would you?" Clive put his big arm about her gently. "How about a great lover, Buttercup? Has he no eyes to see?" His voice held the unforgetable wooing note, the mating tone. No woman could be deaf to its thrill.

Her pedantry forgotten, Rhoda leaned to him with sudden kindling. A flush flowered over her face, and the glow of her eyes no longer spoke of intellectual enthusiasm. Of love, merely. The most unacademic, unplatonic of loves. She brushed her cheek against his tweed sleeve, like a cuddlesome kitten. cuddlesome kitten.

"You're all wrong, and beside the point, as usual, my lawyer lover," she murmured. "But when you're like this, you're irresistible!" Her voice trailed off into a sigh of contentment. He could feel her slender fingers clinging strongly to his arm. They gazed deep into each other's eyes, the rest of the world—poets and artists as well—shut out forgotten.

LIVE'S sittings began with happy zest in the airy loft of the old barn fitted by an adoring uncle for Rhoda's studio, from the wide dormers of which one got a magic view of cliff and sand sweep and sail-flecked open sea. Ah, the sweet intimacy of yielding one's self to the rapt and searching gaze of one's beloved! The searching gaze was a shade impersonal, but one thrilled to the idea. She peaded his likeness as she needed himself. Her talent was was a snade impersonal, but one thrined to the loca. Sne needed his likeness, as she needed himself. Her talent was to make permanent his young maturity, "Beyond the reach of time, and chance, and change."—What was the rest of that gloomy thing she had read to him?—"Or broken vows, that sadden and estrange." There'd be no broken vows in

Rhoda turned over contemptuously his supply of scarfs Rhoda turned over contemptuously his supply of scarfs. Artistically "impossible," every one. And a dash of color could make or mar a portrait. Finally, she went shopping with her poet—Paul was wonderfully discriminating and versatile—and returned triumphant with a length of sea-blue fabric. She threw the silken scarf over Clive's shoulder and haled him to a mirror. "See! It brings out the color of your eyes. You never knew they were so blue, I'll warrant; neither did I. Paul did."

Clive flushed darkly. Confound that fellow's impudence! What was the color of his eyes to him? "Don't you like it?" exclaimed Rhoda. "Don't you think it's a good match?"

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"Where should I find time to speculate about the color of my eyes?" he retorted, cloaking resentment with impatience. "If they're good to see with, that's all I ask." Suddenly he softened, fingering the scarf. It looked out of place in his square-palmed, vigorous hands. "You don't think it looks too-artistic for me?" he asked, with mock

Rhoda laughed. "You'll soon make it look matter-of-t enough!—Run and put it on, there's a dear." Several weeks of sun-drenched mornings, they kept re-

Several weeks of sun-drended mornings, they keps ligiously to their task. Though not allowed to see the painting, Clive felt sure it was progressing satisfactorily, for Rhoda seemed keyed-up and happily immersed in her work. Suddenly, one day, her sureness of touch faltered; her alert face clouded; she scrutinized Clive as if she had never really seen him before. From that moment, the picture did not go so well.

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Soon after that, Rhoda informed Clive, a little defiantly, that she had begun a likeness of the poet. He was an unusually plastic type, very tempting to a manipulator of color and brush. Then, think what it would mean to a young painter to have done the first portrait of a world-famous writer! It was an honor—an investment, indeed.

Clive agreed. "He'll be your lion. A tame lion, but still a lion. While I—" half-ruefully—"What shall I be, Butter-cup?"

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Palette in hand, Rhoda made a playful little rush at him, and, catching his sleeves, stood a-tip-toe for his morning kiss. "You!" Her musical laugh trilled out caressingly, but her manner held the fatal hint of condescension. "Why, you will be—'merely the husband!"

Clive did not kiss her. He merely drew her lightly to him and buried his face a moment in her sunny hair. Then, releasing her, he turned abruptly to the model's throne. "Shall we make the most of our time this morning, Buttercup?" he asked, quietly. "The light's unusually good."

Some days later, Rhoda told him frankly that she thought the poet's portrait bade fair to be the best thing she'd ever done. As for his own likeness, her interest in that, he found with dismay, was decidedly on the wane. Indeed, she frequently postponed his sittings to capture Paul as often as possible before his impending departure.

"I must finish Paul," she explained, her smooth cheeks glowing with the febrile excitement that signals the completion of any piece of creative work. "I could never recapture the mood."

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At last came a day when she frowned impatiently at Clive's offending counterpart on her easel, retouching nervously, painting out details. Suddenly, with a sharp sigh,

vously, painting out details. Suddenly, with a sharp sigh, she put down her brush.

"This isn't going well, Clive. I don't know whether you're not a good model, or too subtle for me." The last remark she tossed out with laughing irony, for how could good old Clive be subtle?

She thrust the canvas away. "I'm not going on with it, Clive. No self-respecting painter could. There's something lacking—perhaps in my understanding of you. I'll try another some time." She smiled a bit wanly and put back a straying curl. back a straying curl.

Clive came forward, his resolution disguised by an air of timidity. "Do you mind if I look at it, Rhoda? It owes me something, after all these weeks."

Rhoda placed the canvas before him. Indeed, they had

not found many words for each other, of late.

Clive stared in amazement at the picture. Exact enough as far as drawing went, the portrait absolutely lacked life. What was worse, considering Clive's well-marked, highly developed features, it was characterless.

There was a moment's heavy silence. Clive nodded his

thoughtfully.

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Then, with a pathetic accent of determined camaraderie:
"May I see your poet's picture, Rhoda?"

Rhoda set the canvas before him with a proud little flourish. "There you are, Clive," in her best tone of confidential intimacy. "Isn't he wonderful?"

INDEED, he was "wonderful." A spirited, well-interpreted portrait. A poet in white flannels, with fair, waving hair, sleepy gray eyes, slim feet, and slim, swaying waist; a poet of rather pampered spirit. If Rhoda hadn't been his most outspoken admirer, one would have suspected malice. In one way, the picture was a relief. Rhoda saw the poet as he was; not "trailing clouds of glory." Clive had feared clouds. One ugly fact remained; she knew the poet, but did not know himself.

After a moment, Clive heard himself go on. "It's a splendid piece of work, Rhoda. And your poet must be a splendid model. You need several more sittings?"
"A few more hours."
Clive drew out his watch. "Why don't you get him to

"A few more hours."

Clive drew out his watch. "Why don't you get him to give you the rest of the morning?"

Rhoda made a play of hesitation, but Clive could see that very thing had been in her mind. "Perhaps I will," she returned, carelessly. It was the first time she had not been absolutely direct with him.

Clive was at the door. "I've letters to write before luncheon. Why don't you ring him now?"

Crossing the lawn, he caught her voice from the upper window. She was talking to Dangerfield.

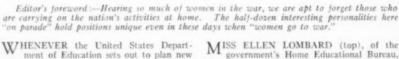
Clive swung out along the cliff and across the moors, mile after mile. At first, conscious thought was too painful. He let the sea winds, the mounting sun, the sweet, eddying breaths of the moorland have their way with him, cooling his burning face, resting his smarting eyes. He felt as he often felt in the midst of a tremendously difficult case—harassed, driven, concerned. Currents of rage swept him. The false solace of renunciation raised its head. It might be better for them both to end this strife now, before they were more closely bound.

But how could he give her up? There were humdrum, home-keeping girls enough, but no other Rhoda. No girl with quite her life and verye and spirited independence.

home-keeping girls enough, but no other Rhoda. No girl with quite her life and verve and spirited independence. No girl with whom existence would be quite such an adventure. He recalled her sprite-like figure, her flashing, birdlike glances, her lively, teasing tongue, her colorful, enchanting ways—his butterfly girl! He could never give her up!

He stopped to lunch at a red inn where he and Rhoda had often taken tea together, and incisted on having the Continued on page 40]

### **PERSONALITIES** ON PARADE

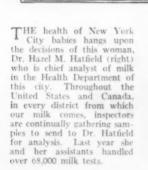


ment of Education sets out to plan new methods for the schools here, it calls for advice on one of its employees, Miss Anna Tolman Smith (top), since she is familiar with every system of education that has been tried out abroad and has published much literature on

MISS NELLIE NEVIN (left) bears the M ISS NELLE NEVIN (left) bears the unique title, for a woman, of General Adviser in Technical Efficiency, in the offices of a huge electrical plant in New Jersey. She can tell to the slightest fraction whether or not an appliance is producing the right amount of heat or light. In a new and elaborate laboratory, she makes tests of devices and perof heat or light. In a new and elaborate laboratory, she makes tests of devices and perfects them. She is the final court of decision for her company, and no new appliance ever goes through without her O. K.

MISS ELLEN LOMBARD (top), M iso eller Lombard (top), of the government's Home Educational Bureau, has the interesting job of promoting reading circles for parents in small towns. These clubs exist for purposes of general education and the training and care of children.

MRS. WILHELMA KORTE (right) is the curator of the tapestry-restoring depart-ment of the Museum of Art in New York City, and spends her days rebuilding the mar-velous patterns of worn tapestries. Many of the most valuable pieces in the world pass through her hands. Mrs. Korte knows not only the many stitches necessary for this intricate work, and the history of clothes, furniture and customs far back in the world's history, but she is also a chemistry expert, and does her own dyeing of wools and silks. On one large tapestry, Mrs. Korte worked an entire year.





MISS FLORENCE ETHERof Indian Affairs, in Washington, determines the heirs of deceased Indians and approves their wills. Extraordinary com-plications frequently arise through differences of law and the letter of a will, especially among the Osage Indians who are the wealthiest in the coun-It is Miss Etheridge who sets these aright, and she's not a bit afraid of tomahawks, either! From Beyond

Lily A. Long

SEPTEMBER 20.

ENT, I am going to write to you. I am going to pretend to myself that you are away—merely away—and that you will read what I have written in your absence. I always used to do that when you were away before, you remember. It helped me over the hard places to talk them out with you, even on ber. It helped me over the hard places to talk them out with you, even on paper. That this thing, the hardest of all—the only hard thing that has ever come to me, when compared with all the rest of life—that this should be the one thing I cannot take to you. But I will

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Why, I feel different already. Just writing that to you, just assuming, for this one minute, that you are somewhere, and that communication in some manner is still possible, has lifted me already from that death-in-life which has been holding me in its numbing grasp. And the iron band which has been paralyzing my brain seems to be loosened a little. You see, dearest, what you do for me. Just to hold you in my thoughts means that you save me. I have been compassed about by terror, Kent. You would think I should say grief rather than terror, wouldn't you? But I have not been sufficiently myself to give way to grief, and that is a part of the terror. I seem to be somehow outside of the realm of feelings that have fit name and place. I don't know what I have become. It is as though I were paralyzed except for one quivering center in my heart that keeps warning me to hold myself awake, alive, and not let the darkness overwhelm me wholly, lest I be lost. Of course, I do not mean death. I could not fear that now. How I should rejoice to meet it! not fear that now. How I should re-

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I never knew that death would be like this, Kent. Sometimes, in the days when we were together, I used to test myself by thinking of what it would be like to have you dead. I would try to imagine it, partly to measure my happiness, partly to fend off any evil fate that might be tempted by a too confident joy in life. But I never, in those pitiful imaginings, guessed what the real thing would be. With you alive, the universe was filled with aliveness. And I didn't realize that that would be the terror of your dying—this feeling that life has gone out of everything—that all I supposed fixed is unreal. To feel that you have gone out of existence, that the universe does not hold you, that all this out-crying, out-reaching yearning which is me, is reaching and crying toward a void, a nothingness— But I mustn't let that thought go on. That is what I am fending off by this pretense that it is You I am writing to—a You somewhere existent, possibly responsive. It is a pretense, I know, but it makes it possible for me to breathe for a moment. Oh, Kent! Oh, my own!

SEPTEMBER 21.

I have won through another day. That is doing fairly well—don't you think so, dear? You know! You understand.

SEPTEMBER 24

I am not going to write to you every day, my dearest. So long as I can keep going alone, I will. I will come to you only when I cannot bear it any longer alone in the darkness, as one takes a drug in extremity.

September 30.

Dearest, hold me. Help me to steady myself. I am so

This morning I happened to pick up a new magazine and your face looked at me from the open page—that photograph you had taken in the spring, you know. It made my heart stand still, and I sat down breathless to look at it, and look, and look. Think, if I had suddenly seen you, alive, in the garden, coming toward me! Well, it was something like that seeing your face so suddenly and unexwhen the garden, coming toward me; well, it was some-thing like that, seeing your face so suddenly and unex-pectedly. (Your eyes have that quizzical look they had when you were laughing at me—that was because I wanted your photograph before you went to the barber's. No one else of the thousands who see that picture will know what put that funny twinkle in your eyes. It is just between you and me, that!)

and me, that!)

That made me suddenly realize that there must have been much about you in the papers when you died, and that the magazines would be publishing sketches of you this month. Wasn't it queer that I had not thought of that before? And I so proud of your fame, too—so much more eiger about it than you would ever condescend to be!

So I went down to McWright's bookstore. The whole front window was given up to you, Kent—a large picture

front window was given up to you, Kent—a large picture of you in the center, with your books beneath, building a pedestal for it. And, inside, your books were heaped high on a table, all the familiar covers of them seeming queerly different, as when you meet yourself in a mirror and don't ecognize the reflection for a moment. It was hardly depercognize the reflection for a moment. It was hardly de-porous of them to look so gaily unchanged! Of course, I didn't want them in black, but just for a moment, they beemed heartless, crowding together there so cheerfully! I saked McWright to send up everything he had about you, and, when I came home, there was a big package of maga-lases and papers waiting for me. I read them all.



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Dearest, I don't know whether I like it or not, this cry of dismay and protest that has gone up all over the land at your death. (I write the word as one presses a wound to deaden it.) At one moment I am furious that they should dare—all these strange, outside people who do not know—dare to grieve, to claim a share in my sorrow. What do they know? And yet, Kent, I was moved when I read how the world had stood listening, too, during those terrible days, for any sound from your room. for any sound from your room.

for any sound from your room.

Then, when I read the sketches and the appreciative comments that came out—afterward, you know—I couldn't help but be proud and glad that you should have been so understood and valued by the world. It is a great tribute, Kent. If fame counts for anything, dear, it is yours.

There was regretful reference again and again to your unfinished novel. That it must now remain forever unfinished is felt to be a loss to English literature. (So it is—but what does that matter?) I know it is a great work, dear—but more than that, it is the last piece of work you touched. Your last thoughts are in it. It was a growing, living, unfinished thing in your mind. Is it finished now in your mind? your mind?

your mind?
I went to your writing-desk and opened it. Everything is exactly as you left it that day when you shut it up to go down to the patriotic meeting at the Auditorium. I was sorry then that I could not go, too. I always loved to hear you speak, and that day I knew your heart was full of the message you had to give. But now I shall be forever glad I did not go. To have seen you shot down, to have seen you fall and not be able to reach the platform, to have struggled—

At least I was here to receive you when they brought

I haven't written anything here for a week. ben able to. I don't know whether any one has guess how near I came to going under, but I have felt myselfthis self that went about the house-to be an empty

this self that went about the house—to be an empty shell, moving by habit. Where I was—if there be any other me—I don't know. Do you?

To-day I heard some one speaking of the season. It seems that we are having an unusual fall—so unusual as to be a matter of comment. They spoke of the lingering summer warmth, the coloring of the woods, the uncommon

The Diary of a Widow

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beauty of it all. I hadn't noticed. I remembered how sensitively you felt the changes of the earth's aspect and how perfectly you pictured them. It meant much to you, the look the day wore. So I went out of doors and looked about me, trying to see. I saw colors, but they did not spell themselves together into Beauty as they should have done. Did you ever discover—you who knew at a flash what I must feel out with my finger tips—that beauty is the garment which Joy puts on to make herself visible? There is no such thing as beauty to the eye that is alive only to the presence of is no such thing as beauty to the eye that is alive only to the presence of Sorrow. As I looked at the landscape to-day, it was a dead thing. The soul has gone out of the world. It is dead, dead, dead. Why am I here in this painted charnel house?

Dear, you would be horribly ashamed of me if I should give up, wouldn't you? Or, if not ashamed, sorry—very sorry and troubled that I hadn't been equal to the test. I can see how your eyes would look—grave and worried and yet trying to look courage into me. Oh, I am not going to give up yet, dear—not just yet. As long as I can—

The longing to get some word from you is driving me with whips. Oh, Kent, my self of selves—if you are, if the universe holds you, answer me—answer me!

October 21.

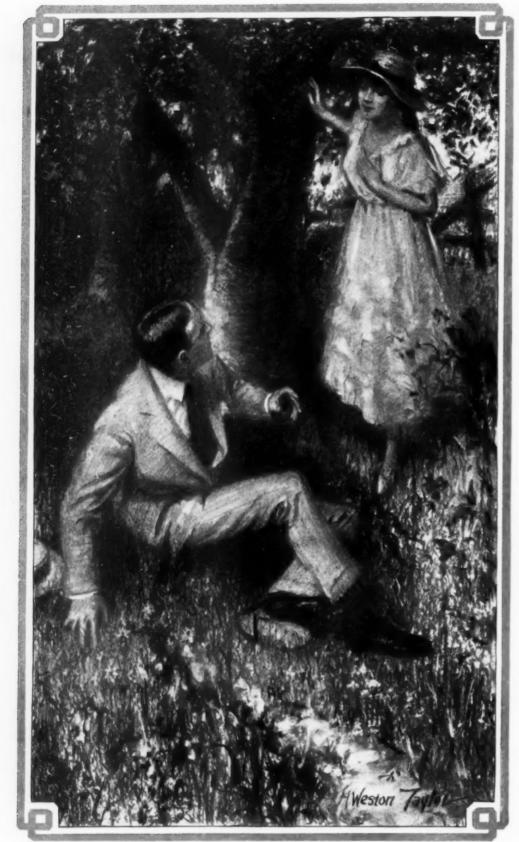
There was a white frost last night. This morning, before the sun came up, the still-green grass was stiff with it, and the trees were motionless as if they dared not speak their horror even by a quiver. The late asters beside the path in the garden—(you planted them there for this fall's pleasuring, you remember)—have kept faith. The unnatural white was over all their poor, brave colors—like the death-in-life that has fallen on me.

November 1.

Dearest, I am going under. You mustn't mind. You know I have tried, don't you? You won't blame me, because it was an impossible thing to do. I feel like a swimmer whose strength has been drained away by each wave that has washed over him—and the shore still a thousand miles away. I can't help it, can I, dear? You understand. I haven't given up, you know. But I am going down.

My dearest—mine! I had not expected ever to write in this book again. I thought I was dying—I knew that I was dying. When my pen dropped, I knew that it required nothing more than a moment's letting go, and life would slip from my hands. And I couldn't hold it any longer. I saw I should have to let go. The moment had come. I went over to your desk and took up your unfinished manuscript. I wasn't thinking about the story. Your hand had rested on each sheet of the paper; the ink had followed the movement of your fingers—that was what I wanted; the thing that carried some physical touch of you. I put my face against the manuscript, I crushed it to my breast, I kissed it and buried my hands among the loose sheets. And then I dropped it on the desk (scattering and spilling part of it about!) and laid my head upon it. It was so that I would slip out, I thought. I closed my eyes, careless how soon the moment came, knowing it must come soon, and, in the meantime, the peace of ceasing came over was so that I would ship out, I thought. I closed my eyes, careless how soon the moment came, knowing it must come soon, and, in the meantime, the peace of ceasing came over me like a blessed foretaste of death. My body was almost dead, it was so without volition or weight or desire. I don't know how long that lasted—I forgot about time—but suddenly I realized that, in my mind, I was following out the story of The Wraith from the point where you had laid it down. You know you had not told me about it—you never did that. I was waiting till it should be finished. You worked best in an inward stillness, I knew, and, besides, I never understood the process of literary creation. The story was non-existent to me until you had imagined it. So, when your story began to work itself out in my mind, exactly as a plant grows—inevitably and harmoniously becoming a complete Thing where before there was nothing—I held my breath at first with the amaze of it. I forgot everything—that you were dead and that the world was a mocker of promises, and that I couldn't bear longer to go on with the false sham of it. I had no thought for anything but the story. I hardly dared stir for fear of somehow checking the miracle. But it went on and on, like a joyous stream that gathers force in its channels, until the whole was clear and perfect and I knew what it means to be a created. checking the miracle. But it went on and on, like a joyous stream that gathers force in its channels, until the whole was clear and perfect, and I knew what it means to be a creator—to see the thing of your inward fashioning take outward form. It was solemn and yet full of an impersonal joy. I took your paper and pen and wrote—oh, so quickly, for fear some link would break. But it all held, as though I were reeling in a cobweb cable, and I got it all down in a hurried snare of words—just enough to hold it fast for me if it should every try to vanish out of my mind.

When it was done, I dropped the pen and came back to myself. The night had gone while I wrote. It was the [Continued on page 34]



I'm just a girl," she said humbly, "who has come many hundred miles to ask a very wise man four questions

### The Box Behind the Door

### A Story of Love in Apple-Blossom Time By Bess Streeter Aldrich

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LAN GRAY SEYMORE unrolled a bright-colored Navajo and placed it on the floor of the one-roomed cabin. The rug was his own—the cabin his for as much of the summer as he should choose to remain; that period of occupancy depending on the length of time it might take him to his text-book on psychology.

The cabin had been something of a find. All year at Western University he had hoped for just such a secluded place where he might work undisturbed by the strident voices of summer-school students. He had formed it beckoning to him from a grassy knoll in a wandering, gipsy-like apple orchard.

apple orchard.

With incredulous wonderment, the old couple who lived down in the clearing had rented it to him and directed him "down the road a bit to Marthy Flagg's" for his meals.

He had brought his belongings out from town that afternoon and was making short work of settling. The Navajo

disposed of, he placed his books and papers on the cheap pine table, arranged his typewriter in the best light, and took his clothes out of their case. Deciding to improvise a closet, he swung the door back. A little trunk stood there, a home-made, rude affair covered with an untanned calfskin. The initials "J. C." were worked out on the top with brass-headed tacks.

tried the lid-he had a right to know with what sort of objects he was living—and it flew open with amazing readiness. He almost laughed aloud at the contents. There were a doll and doll clothes, books of various kinds, paper ladies, a game or two—all the little treasures that might belong to a small girl.

to a small girl.
reached down and brought up a volume. It was
Prudy's Captain Horace. On the fly-leaf, in healt," Little Prudy's Captain Horace. On the fly-leaf, in heavy, pressed-in letters, was written "Jean Craddock—aged eight." Craddock was the name of the old couple. Their little gift, then. Dead, perhaps, or, if living, middle-aged. No doubt

a grandmother now—these country girls married young. He wondered vaguely why they didn't have the chest with its keepsakes down at the house.

The text-book progressed with amazing rapidity in the days that followed. In the setting of the old apple orchard, whose solitude was broken only by the happy calls of birds or the sharp gossip of insect folk, the book almost wrote itself from the data that Alan had collected.

As he worked busily in the midst of his scattered papers, he stopped occasionally from sheer arm weariness rather than brain-fag. At these times, he found himself whim sically talking to the ancient little chest—for, gradually, the faint aroma of mint and sassafras and dead violets that came from the depths of the box wrought a magic spell that, with its sorcery, brought to life an enchanting little girl who had owned the paper ladies and the old-fashioned doll with its painted cheeks and neatly waving china hair.

On the fourth day, as he went carefully through the books, he came to the diaries. With no more compunction than he would have shown at reading the life of some bygone character, he set about perusing the memoranda. They were charming:

"Some of the apple blossoms came out this morning, and I ran out to the orchard and looked up to the sky and said, 'Please, God, don't make anything in heaven smell sweeter'n apple blossoms, because we couldn't stand it."

"I said something cross to-day and I feel sore and sick and mean. I have thought this to myself, that mean words are bad fairles that go out to hurt other people and then they come back and hurt you worse."

So little Jean Craddock, too, in the long-ago, had found

"I love the yellow dandelions in the grass and the white daisies and the lavender crocuses. They are for everybody—but the sweet, sweet violets are mine. The angels made them just for me and hid them in the hollow by the creek."

When she was twelve, with true feminine instinct, the mind of Jean Craddock had dwelt upon worldly things.

"When I grow up, I am going to have a hat that is lacy and white like the inside of silky milkweed pods. I am going to have other beautiful things, but best of all, I am going to have a dress of pink silk as pale as the first little anemones, and with it I am going to wear a string of pearls."

The winter she was fifteen, she wrote of love.

"Love comes to a person in waves. Sometimes you don't think bout it—you just think about school and having fun and things to eat nd skating on the creek—and then, all of a sudden, you think of love."

Alan Seymore looked off through the old gnarled apple trees. Yes, that was the way. You just think about your book and your lectures and the canoe you are having made—and then, all of a sudden, you think of love, how if you ever did meet the girl that was like your dream-girl—

In the summer, Jean Craddock's dreams took on more definite form. "I can see him when I sit under the apple trees," she had written, "at least most of him. I can see his shoulders and the square kind of chin he has and the way his head looks in the back—but, try as hard as I can, I never can see right in his face. But, anyway, I know this: When I see him I shall know him."
"Dear little Jean Craddock,—aged fifteen," said Alan, "I hope with all my heart that you knew him when you saw him."

He turned the page. "I am sixteen to day. They have

He turned the page. "I am sixteen to-day. They have told me. It is in five more days—" Then followed a blurred place where something had been painstakingly erased. It ended simply—broken-heartedly, it seemed—"Good-by, little Jean Craddock—I love

little Jean Craddock, dear little Jean Craddock—I love you—good-by."

He was so startled that he read it all over. What was it? What happened to her? Did she die? Did they marry her to some one against her will? For Heaven's sake, what became of her? He turned the pages, but their blankness laughed up at him and mocked him.

At the end of the second week, the tragic ending (if tragic it were) had grown less significant in Alan's mind—and Jean Craddock was once more a charming little personality to whom he read the rapidly increasing pages of his text-book.

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The afternoon was dark, with big, puffy black clouds that rose in the west and glowered down on the straggling old orchard. Alan threw down his manuscript and stretched himself lazily.

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"Well, little Jean Craddock," he said aloud, "thus endeth the eighth chapter." Big drops began spattering here and there, like birdshot. So he got up and closed the cabin door, then walked across to the window, where he stood looking out at the swaying trees. Suddenly, he heard some one singing in the rain;

"'Skies are only bright and fair in your eyes of blue. Song is only sweet, my dear, when I sing of you!"

The voice came nearer and rose in a crescendo of sweet-

ness:

"'Spring hath many a rose to wear'—" The singing stopped; the owner of the voice was unmistakably kicking at the door of the cabin. As the door began to yield, she took up her song where she had dropped it:

"Kissed of sun and dew, they are only sweet, my dear!"
Wide oved she stopped.

"Kissed of sun and dew, they are only sweet, my dear!"

--Wide-eyed, she stopped.

"When they bloom for you," finished Alan Seymore—which was rather nimble for a professor of psychology.

She looked distractingly pretty in the doorway. She was wearing a simple white dress under her raincoat, which, disdainful of the weather, was flying wide open. Bareheaded, with drops glistening on the gold-brown of her hair, she seemed to have floated out of the clouds that brought the shower. There was a faint odor of violets—

"I beg your pardon," she said, distressed. She might have added "The nerve of you!" for her eyes looked it.

It was Alan Seymore's turn to feel uncomfortable. In answer to the questioning expression of her face, he defended himself with, "I have rented this place of Mr. Craddock."

"Grappy rented my playhouse?" she flashed out angrily.

"Why, of course." She smiled so that he felt an intense relief. "He didn't know that I was coming. It has been seven years since I was here. I am Jean Craddock," she added.

"I am Alan Seymore," he volunteered, "and, if I intrude,

"Oh, no indeed." She was friendly again. "For the moment, I had forgotten that I was too old to play here. But—I left some things—" She turned to look about in-

"I must confess," he said, bending over the box, "I raised the lid. You know I thought there might be dead men's bones in there."

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### A Call to the Knitting Needles for Baby

By Elisabeth May Blondel



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To have this little slip-on sweater, just like father's, will delight the little four-year old. The cunning model (No. FW. 45), shown on the left, was made for hard wear of serviceable gray wool, with collar, purled edge and cuffs of navy blue forming a pretty contrast.



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### Talking Business to American Women

By Edith J. R. Isaacs

Chairman Women's Publicity, Liberty Loan Campaign, Second Federal Reserve District

REGIMENT goes marching down the village street, tramp, tramp, tramp to the railway station. To the army men who watch it pass, it is a splendid fighting unit, one of hundreds just like it, marching out of camp to join the fighting units of our Allies "over there."

But to the women at the windows it is not a regiment at all; it is three thousand individual men, each one a husband or brother, a father or son, each leaving behind him not only some woman's waiting the village street, tramp, tramp,

hind him not only some woman's waiting heart, beating for his safe return, but some woman's watchful mind and nimble fingers to guard the family he loves and to do his share of the world's work until he comes again.

Every branch of trade and avenue of industry is represented in the ranks. Every kind of task is waiting behind the lines for some woman to do. Even the woman for some woman to do. Even the woman who cannot do her husband's work, the

who cannot do lawyer's wife, or the engi-neer's, even the home - keeping woman whose hands are full managing her managing her house and caring for her children is not left without war's claim for extra service. For if all the men who are men who are going to France are to eat and meat and sugar, if they are to their uniforms and coal to fire the ships that carry them, she and her kind must help to con-serve these these things for them. And saving in war-time is a work

as real as bridge-building, one that requires reckoning as careful, patience as infinite, labor as untiring.

It seems like a man-sized job, this

variety of extra service which every regi-ment that marches out of our towns and villages puts upon the women that are left behind to maintain established business, to fill up the gaps on the farm or in the factory, to conserve food, labor and material for the use of the army and our Al-

Yet there is something else which they have been called upon to do which dwarfs all of these. American women must help to pay the cost of war, the cost not only in human life and spiritual sacrifice, but in in human life and spiritual sacrince, but in dollars and cents. And what a cost that is, running into figures that many of us cannot write and that most of us cannot think! Billions of dollars already spent, billions and billions more to be raised in a hurry and spent at once—for ships and supplies, for food and clothing, for guns and ammunition!

FOR the third time the Government of the United States has come to its cit-izens to ask for a loan to pay the money cost of the war we have undertaken in order that our children's world may be a better, safer, freer world than our own. For the third time we hear men say that the success of the Liberty Loan means the success of the war and that it depends upon the cooperation of the American

success of the war and that it depends upon the cooperation of the American women who hold the American purse, who spend or save in war-time.

Is that really true? With millions of our brothers giving their lives for freedom and democracy and the hope of universal brotherhood, is it fair to say that the success of the war depends upon the dollars we save and the Liberty Bonds we buy? It is fair and it is true. Men and money—those are the double tools of war. One is useless without the other and just as there are no men but our men whom we would ask to fight our battles, so there is no money but our money, yours and mine and our neighbors', to pay the cost.

Since this is so, however, since the business of the nation to-day, which is the business of war, is in the hands of American

ness of the nation to-day, which is the business of war, is in the hands of Amerousiness of war, is in the hands of American women, somebody must tell our women the plain, downright facts about business. It will not do to say, "Save or we perish," "Don't waste or we starve," "Buy Liberty Bonds or we fail." We must know why.

SOME of us women think that because we are accustomed to handling money and to thinking of it in a small way in relation to our household expenses, or to our pay envelope (if we work), or to our bank account (if we have one), that it is im-possible for us to understand the theory of a government loan involving billions. Nothing of the kind! That is the only way Nothing of the kind! That is the only way anybody thinks of money; in terms of his own experience. There is not a principle involved which any woman who is not an idler can not understand. There is no principle which every one of us does not practise, whether our work is on a farm, in a factory, or at home. If we are capable of doing work, we are capable of understanding what we do!

Here is the whole matter in a nutshell.

Here is the whole matter in a nutshell, the reasons why Uncle Sam, the richest man

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with plenty of capital, or as we sometimes call it, prop-erty, must bor-row money to

pay their im-

mediate bills, as Uncle Sam,

the richest man in the world, asks to

borrow ours through the Liberty Loans.

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Everything

in the world, needs all the money we can save in our homes, or on our clothes' account, or out of our pay envelopes, this month and next month, and the prom-ise of all we can save for months to come, in order to run this

I. Every-thing that is bought must be paid for. II. The mon-

ey to pay for things comes from labor or from capital; that is, from money we earn by work or from money

our post-office, guarding our coasts, replanting our forests, caring for our fisheries, and a hundred other services. Uncle Sam earns his taxes and uses them to pay his

earns his taxes and uses them to pay his ordinary bills, just as we would do.
But sometimes with a government, as with a family, there comes a day when our earnings are not enough to pay our bills. War is such a time for Uncle Sam. However far he stretches his taxes, he can not earn enough to pay the billions upon billions of dollars which this war costs. What shall he do? What would you do? You would go to your savings bank, if you had one, wouldn't you? and take out a part of your capital. That is just what Uncle Sam did.

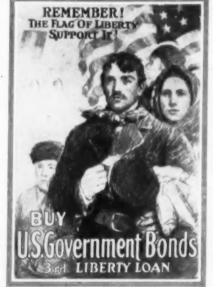
BUT suppose that all the money you had in the savings bank was not enough. What then? Why then it would be time to what then's why then it would be time to remember the third principle of the business of war, that all capital is not money and that if you have other capital besides your savings account you can borrow money to pay your bills.

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For instance, suppose that you and your husband had \$5,500.00 saved, that is, you had \$5,500.00 capital, with \$5,000.00 of which you bought a farm. You would still have \$5,500.00 capital of which \$5,000.00 was invested in a farm and \$500.00 remained in the savings bank. If you wanted to plant your crops and had not enough money in the savings bank to pay for seed and fertilizer and men to do

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the work, the bank, knowing that you had
\$5,000.00 capital invested in a farm would
be glad to lend you a few hundred dollars
which you would pay back, with interest,
when you sold your crops in the fall.
And that is just exactly what Uncle
Sam does when he comes to us and asks
for a Liberty Loan. Uncle Sam is the
richest man in the world, for the whole
United States is his capital, all the fertile
fields of all the states from Maine to Califields of all the states from Maine to Cali-fornia, all the mines and lakes, forests and plains, all the great cities and little towns. And yet, just as you could not pay for seeds with a foot of farmland, so Uncle Sam cannot pay for ships or guns with a mine or a forest. We pay our bills with dollars; so does Uncle Sam. He cannot go on with the

war, he cannot sow the seeds of the world's future peace, unless he has, from each and every one us, rich poor, the promise of every extra dollar we can earn and of every dollar we can save while the war lasts. He does not ask for the gift of these dollars, remem-ber. He asks us for a loan until after the war. A bond is a promise to pay. A Lib-erty B o n d is Uncle Sam's promise to pay back to the lender all of the money in-vested in the bond. So when we say that we buy a \$50.00 Liberty Bond, what we mean



Thirty-four races of foreign-language speaking peoples in this country bought largely of Second Liberty Loan Bonds

means nothing more than that Uncle Sam must pay for his guns or for ships to carry our boys to France, just as you would pay for six yards of muslin at a department store. You do not get things for nothing, and neither does the Government of the United States.

THE second principle is that the money to pay for things comes either from labor or from capital, that is either from money you earn or from money you have saved out of what you earned last month, or last year. If you pay for your muslin out of your factory wages, you pay out of the product of labor; if you take the money out of your savings bank, you pay out of your capital. And as it is with you, so it is with Uncle Sam, except that the money he gets for his labor is called, not wages or salary, but taxes. Taxes are the money we our Government for all the work the ernment does for us; for making our laws, protecting our lives and property, running

is that we loan our Gov s that we loan our Government \$50.00 which it promises to pay back in full when the harvest of peace and prosperity has ripened. More than that, it agrees to pay us interest at four per cent. a year. And still more than all that, we are lending it to him for a cause that is our cause, every woman of us.

Whether was consequences.

Whether you are conserving food in the home, or working in a shop or factory, or running a farm or doing any of the hundred other things which the war has assigned to women, are you going to have just your worn fingers to show for your work when the war ends or are you going to have a capital in the shape of Liberty Bonds, which you have bought yourself out of your weeks' earnings or the money you have saved in your home? Which will you be, rich or poor in service and in pocket when the regiments come marching back temps teams. back, tramp, tramp, tramp?



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In summer, of all times, how important it is to have the kitchen bright and clean! Such refreshing newness when the refrigerator has been "dressed" inside and out; and the stove and boiler have been "cheeredup"; and the hardworked kitchen table made all fresh; and the sink, and service buckets, and garbage can, and floor and walls-like new pins with Acme Quality Paints and Finishes. They save the cost of new things!

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#### Growling Patriotism

It is a shame that so much perfectly good patriotism goes to waste through growling. We answer the many war cries usually heartily and thoroughly, but always, at first, grumblingly. We close our factories to save fuel, but we grumble the while at the necessity; we save wheat and fat and sugar, but often and often good sturdy patriotism looks wan and sick at our complaining. What Uncle Sammy needs is a wife! No man that ever lived could raise a family by himself—too many things seem small and not worth while to a man. Now if we just had an Aunt Molly who would make no bones about turning us over her checked apron, when we are ugly and bad-tempered, American patriotism would take on a grin. It's a poor sort of obedience that goes reluctantly to its task.

Look at the women! An overwhelming call for ten billion or so of sweaters and mufflers and dressings and children's clothes sends the women flocking from brownstone fronts and prairie dug-outs to the Red Cross workrooms where they chat and laugh and weep a bit over the tasks they love so much. No growling therè. Why they've even made it fashionable to knit and save and give. There's a jolly competition among them to see not who can be most patriotic—that is an absolute term, not to be compared—but who can be most blithely, most exuberantly, most gladsomely patriotic!

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#### A Look Backward and Forward

Do you realize how much food can be raised in the home gardens of the whole country? Last year, the average garden covered one-tenth of an acre, and the average yield was 636 pounds. There are at least 5,000,000 families, not farmers, in this country, and if each one would plant an average garden, the railroads would be relieved of carrying 160,000 carloads of vegetables, that number of cars would be released to carry food, munitions and supplies for our fighting men and the people in the war zone. The transportation problem cannot be simple in war time. Any effort to relieve the railroads is war service. Will you do your share to encourage the people in your section to plant gardens, raise their own vegetables, and serve their country with the hoe just as faithfully as the boys with the guns are doing "over there"? This is your branch of "the Service," and there is no age-limit for the man or woman who is willing to enlist in the 1918 land basgade.

#### Every Cantonment Should Have One

THE Massachusetts and Michigan Chap-ters of the Daughters of the American Revolution have established "mendingrooms" in cantonments. These departments have been opened for hospitals, where be-tween 200 and 300 garments are mended

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A room is furnished for this bureau, the members of the D. A. R. furnishing sewing-machines, mending-materials, and mending-cquipment. When our boys are away from home, this mending is one of the little things we worry about. How comforting to the women at home and how really satisfying to the men if every camp had its mending-room where the women of the nearest town could do for the boys what they would like to do for their own in the army and navy.

#### Why Not Chickens?

It is absolutely imperative that all women who can shall raise poultry to the extent of their ability and opportunity," says Professor Lamon of the Department of Agriculture. "One of the phases of the present Government poultry campaign is to encourage backyard poultry-keeping, especially among city and suburban dwellers, thereby utilizing table scraps for the production of fowls and eggs for home consumption."

#### Unpalatable To Cooties

THE Daughters of the Orient, as the chapters of the Daughters of the Ameri-can Revolution located in the Philip-pines and in Shanghai are called, have been making pongee shirts to send to the Ameri-can soldiers in France. The officers of the organization say that these shirts are vermin proof, because the "cooties" object to the odor of the silk.

### Building For The Future

THE War Savings Stamp and the Liberty Loan have been a service school for American women. To most of us it seemed, when the war opened, that our household allowance had no margin for saving. But the Liberty Loan taught us to "do without" to-day, so that when the war is over we may have the wherewithal in the shape of Liberty Roads to build better, homes in a better world.

war is over we may have the wherewithal in the shape of Liberty Bonds to build better homes in a better world. But now that we know how and what to save and what to do with the money that we save, there is a new question confronting us. What shall we do with the time that we save? And again the answer comes from the War Saving Stamp and the Liberty Loan. Work longer hours, earn more, produce more; make two things grow where one grew before, make something grow where nothing grew, and put your extra earnings and your extra profits into the Liberty Loan and into War Saving Stamps.

Napoleon once said that there were three things needed for war: money, money, and more money. Why this is so, why the richest government in the world needs our money to fight the war, you will see from the article on "Talking Business to American Women" in another part of this issue. Billions have been spent already and billions more are going to be spent before victory is assured. These billions cannot come from a few American millionaires; they must come in war savings and war loans, from millions of Uncle Sam's citizens.

To make the Third Liberty Loan a success it is estimated that one out of every six men, women, and children in the country must subscribe to a Liberty Bond. To do this, means not only that we must give all that we can save, but that to our savings we must add all the extra money we are able to earn in extra hours of work. If every American woman would feel that while our men are on the fighting-front no one has a right to inactive leisure, the success of the loan would be assured in advance. It never was more eccessary that time be turned into money; it never was more true that time is money. When you have turned your minutes into War Savings Stamps and your hours into Liberty Bonds you will have done your share to win to war.

#### Our Bit and Their All

E have been at war a year, our men are returning wounded, crippled and disabled after having done their best to defend us. More men go forth, hourly, giving up, not a part of a day or a week or a month to this grim business of war, but their lives to bring about victory. And yet, Heaven save the mark, some of us still talk about "doing our bit" and, on occasions, have to be urged to do even that! It would seem as if the time had come when we should see that perhaps we are hiding behind the widow's mite. When some are giving time, money, health and life, such selfishness on the part of the rest of us is more than unpatriotic—it is criminal.

### Girls' Land Army

EVERY community must raise its own perishables this summer and fall. But the greatest hindrance to increased farm production in this country is the lack of labor. Here, unemployed women and girls can help.

The great success of a girls' movement to help on farms last summer led to the formation of an organization called the Land Army. Units are now being formed in which girls may enlist for any number of weeks. The members do not live in their employers' houses; indeed, to make sure the farmer's wife will not be burdened, the army has a rule that they not enter the farmhouse. Each unit is housed and boarded under the direction of its officers.

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Last summer the girls showed that they could do this work and profit physically thereby. Each unit has a resident physician who determines the daily fitness of each worker or gives her times off for indisposition. College girls and others who have summer leisure are seizing this chance to help. As one college girl put it, "If my brother can dig trenches, I can dig furrows." Further information, including the addresses of the Army Units, may be obtained from "The Land Army," 32 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

### Junior Home Reservists

Dear Reservists

Dear Reservists:—

I have some quite wonderful news for you this month. Last month, we got crowded out by all the things which had to go into the first number of the New McCall's, and I have had to keep a secret meant for you all bottled up for a whole month.

'Way last May when I first began to think about a girl's army of Home Reserves, it was because I realized how much could be done by us if we could work together. There was no other children's organization at the time doing the kind of work I had in mind, so I said to McCall's, and McCall's said to me: "Let's organize a girls' army," and we did!

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Since that time the big Red Cross organization, which knows from actual investigation just how the help of each of us can be used to the best advantage, has recognized the need we felt these months before, and has formed the Junior Red Cross, an organization intended to include all the children in the schools of the land. The teachers have agreed to help, there are the schoolrooms to work in, and altogether it is quite a wonderful plan.

I could not help feeling that it will be a wonderful thing to have all our Junior Home Reservists taken into the big body of the Junior Red Cross, and help in this nation-wide work. And so somebody from our editorial office went down to Washington to see the Junior Red Cross and talk it over, and finally the big thing we all wanted was achieved and all of our warm-hearted, patriotic Junior Home Reservists are invited to become members of the Junior Red Cross.

We are asked to join on very special

Cross.

We are asked to join on very special terms, for whereas, if you were not Reservists, you would have to pay twenty-five cents to join the Junior Red Cross, the fact that you have done war service as a member of the Junior Home Reserves lets you join without paying anything at all. In other words, the Junior Red Cross takes the whole beddy for Junior Red Cross takes the whole beddy for Junior Home Persyng into its body of Junior Home Reserves into its

organization.

If there is a Junior Red Cross
Auxiliary in your school, all you have
to do is to show the principal your

Junior Home Reserve button and the letter from Dr. MacCracken, head of the Junior Red Cross, which is printed below, and, presto!, you will be given a Red Cross button without charge and become a member of the Junior Red Cross. And if there is no such Auxiliary in your school, ask your principal to

Cross. And if there is no such Auxiliary in your school, ask your principal to form one with all of you who are Junior Home Reservists as the first members, in which as such members you will not have to pay any fee to obtain your Red Cross button.

It has made us happy to be able to bring about this big thing for you. Hereafter there will be no Junior Home Reserve department in McCall's, because the Junior Red Cross will be directing its work so well through its wonderful organization and the help of the teachers in your town. And that brings me to the only thing about the new arrangement which makes me sorry—the fact that I shall no longer be your commander. But, after all, that doesn't —the fact that I shall no longer be your commander. But, after all, that doesn't matter, because you will be going on doing bigger and more helpful work every day. So here's my farewell to you, and my love and my faith that you are all going to prove the best little soldiers the world has every had.

Faithfully yours,

ALICE MANNING DICKEY,

Commander.

To the Members of the Junior Home

To the Members of the Junior Home Reserves:—

The Junior Red Cross welcomes the members of the Junior Home Reserves as future workers in its great army of relief and reconstruction. There is work for all to do, and the Red Cross will help you to find a way to do it.

If you go to a school which has a Red Cross Auxiliary, you may ask for the Red Cross buttons, without delay, as soon as you present your Home

as soon as you present your Home Reserve buttons. If you go to a school that has not yet joined the Red Cross, ask the principal to form you into a unit and begin yourself to enroll the others as a Junior Red Cross Auxiliary. Your local Red Cross School Commit-tee will tell you how

tee will tell you how.
Cordially yours,
H. N. MacCracken,
National Director, Junior Membership.

#### Volunteer Health Work

DME Health Volunteers will be enlisted by the Women's Committee of the Council of National Defense to work during the Children's Year, from April 6, 1918, to April 6, 1919, for 12 to 24 hours per week. There are three forms of service. The Messenger Service of young women able to do any unspecialized task will include duties such as taking nurses and doctors about in automobiles, making the necessary connections between the clinic and the home, making beds, cleaning, etc. The Medical and Social Service will be recruited from women who have had experience either in dispensaries and hospitals and in the care of children or in housewifery. They will help especially in child welfare stations. The Trained Nursing Service will be formed of those trained nurses who have retired from active work.

Home Health Volunteers will serve under nurses and physicians and will work only under direction. Dr. Jessica Peixotto, execu-tive chairman of the Child Welfare Depart-ment of the Woman's Committee, Washing-ton, D. C., is issuing pledges to volunteers.

### Real Garden Helps

BECAUSE it is anxious that the home garden production be as large as possible in 1918, our Government has published some especially good booklets on garden subjects. "The Home Vegetable Garden" and "The Preparation and Care of the Home Fruit Garden" will give practical help to all gardeners. "The School Garden" will be valuable in helping children's garden clubs. "Potatoes" and "Weeds" are intensive studies planned for those who garden on a large scale. "The Home Garden in the South" and "Beautifying the Home Grounds" are very practical and well worth reading.

Amateur gardeners should not attempt to

Amateur gardeners should not attempt to plan nor plant a garden without the advice of expert and experienced gardeners. Seed is too scarce, the need for crops too great to risk

any avoidable failures. Instruct yourself first, then plant, will be the best procedure. The McCall Washington Bureau, 4035 New Hampshire Avenue, Washington, D. C. will be pleased to obtain for you, as long as the free edition lasts, any of these booklets. When the free edition is exhausted, it will purchase booklets from the Government at the cost price (eight cents for each). ways enclose an additional three-cent stamp to cover part of the bureau's expenses.



Do you know why it is that the inner surface of your arm is so white and satiny, while the texture of your face, especially of your nose, is rougher and shows enlarged pores?

It is exposure-constant exposure to changing temperatures-sun, wind and dust-that enlarges the pores and coarsens the texture of the skin of

On parts of the body that are habitually covered by clothing, the skin changes very little from the fine texture of childhood. It needs no special care to keep it fine and smooth.

#### The skin of your face must have special care

The pores of the face, even in normal conditions, are not so fine as in other parts of the body. On the nose especially, there are more fat glands than elsewhere and there is more activity of the pores.

Under exposure to wind and dust and sun, the pores of the face contract and expand. If the skin is not properly stimulated and kept free from dirt, the small muscular fibers, especially those of the nose, become weakened and do not contract as they should. Instead the pores remain open, they collect dirt and dust, clog up and become enlarged.

That is the cause of conspicuous nose poresthe bugbear of so many women, and often the only flaw in an otherwise perfect complexion.

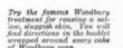
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Wring a soft cloth from very hot water, lather it with Woodbury's Facial Soap, then hold it to your face. When the heat has expanded the pores, rub in very gently a fresh lather of Woodbury's. Repeat this hot water and lather application several times, stopping at once if your nose feels sensitive. Then finish by rubbing the nose for thirty seconds with a piece of ice. Always dry your skin carefully.

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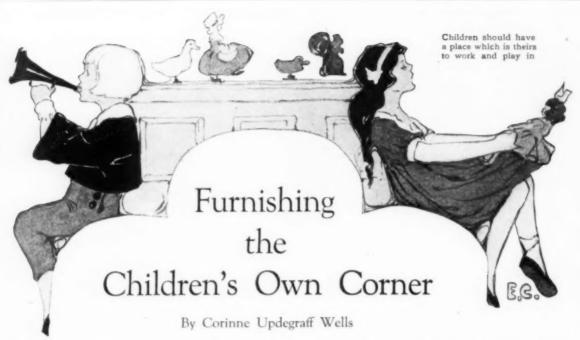
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The same father who will lift his small son to his shoulder to see the clowns and elephants.

to see the clowns and elephants in a circus parade, may consider a nursery an affectation only to be afforded by the wealthy. In every home where there are children there should be some place which is theirs. be some place which is theirs to work and play in as they

The ideal nursery arrange ment is to have two connect-ing rooms, one for play and the other for rest. Where two the other for rest. Where two rooms are not possible, one room, furnished as a com-bination play- and sleeping-room will answer the purpose. If an entire room cannot be spared, a corner of the living-room may be screened off and If an entire room cannot be spared, a corner of the living-room may be screened off and kept sacred to toys. Whatever the arrangement, there should be sunlight, fresh air and simple, sturdy furniture. And the place must be orderly enough to be inviting. All the toys in Christendom will not tempt the average child to remain long in a stuffy, gloomy place filled with a conglomeration of playthings which even patient fingers have not the courage to untangle.

A most alluring type of nursery is one with low window seats, built-in wardrobes, closets and book-shelves. Door-knobs are within reach. Windows are low enough to be looked out of. Rugs are washable. There are plenty of windows with sunlight streaming in. There is a spacious baywindow for playing house. Best of all, there is a place for everything.

The walls of a nursery should be decorated with a washable paint in a soft warm tint, with perhaps a few Mother Goose or Kate Greenaway figures parading around the frieze, or birds flying toward the ceiling, squirrels scampering around the corners, or ships a-sailing on the sea. As to draperies, there need be but few and

these of firm fabrics that will stand pulling

and frequent laundering.

Since there must be a light in the room, instead of a grown-up electric fixture, there may be a basket cage, inside of which a bluebird swings on a perch. When the button is pressed the bird is illuminated,

come instinctive. For example, arranging clothes upon a Mother Goose clothes-hanger is much more agreeable than poking them into a dark closet where the hooks are too high to be reached quickly.

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When the children must play and sleep in the same room, a useful article is a play-house screen made to resemble the outside of a house. It is an ordinary triple screen made of canvas or burlap or any heavy material upon which the design of a house can be painted. The material is tacked over a wooden frame. The central panel represents the front of a house. In the center of this panel is a door large enough for children to creep through. This swings outward. The door is of the same material as the screen and is made by fastening the material to a small frame exactly like the larger one. In the large central panel, however, there must be a frame for the door to swing into like the door-frame of a real house. The two end panels represent sides of the house. Upon these there may be painted windows, doors, porches with flowers and vines. Such a screen placed across a corner, or partitioning off the end of a room, makes a play-house that

makes a room, mak play-house has all the charm of reality. When the oc-

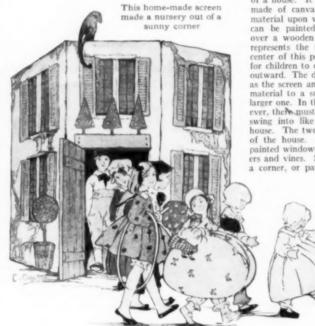
cupants of the nursery include an infant, the an infant, the toilet screen is a convenience. The inner side has pockets for accommodating all the necessities of the baby's toilet. Cushions, table covers and similar articles are permissible.

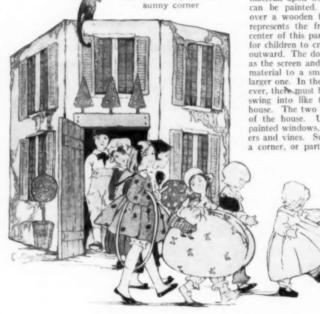
are permissible
if they are made of sturdy materials such
as pin-check gingham, hemstitched, or unbleached muslin, decorated with hand work
or stenciled designs.

One of the most valuable articles of

One of the most valuable articles of play-room furniture is a toy cupboard made with doors opening into compartments at the bottom where the children can place the playthings at the end of the day. Above are open shelves for books or toys not in constant use.

For the small boy with a mechanical or inventive turn of mind, a corner of the nursery should be equipped with a combination work-bench and tool-cabinet.

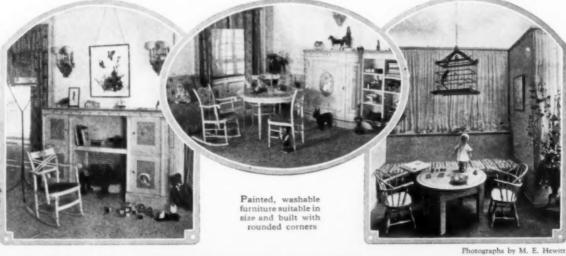




giving just enough light to see to go to bed by.

The most practical furniture for the

The most practical furniture for the nursery and play-room is painted or enameled wood, which may be washed often and which lends itself to rounded corners which make bumping a less serious happening. A small table, with chairs that fit snugly beneath it when not in use, is always necessary. A desk or flat writing-table, also with a chair that slips under it, is desirable. Since these and similar articles of children's furniture are equipped with compartments for holding the various materials used in conjunction with them, orderly habits be-







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She was sorry almost as soon as she had asked the question. For a moment, the calm insouciance of his manner seemed to have departed. His eyes glowed.

"In search of new things," he answered.

"Gun?? Fortifications?"

"Neither."

Neither.

"Neither."

A spirit of mischief possessed her. Lessingham's manner was baffling. She had an intense desire to break through his reserve.

"Won't you tell me—why you came?"

"I could tell you more easily," he answered, "why it will be the most miserable day of my life when I leave."

She laughed with perfect heartiness.
"How delightful to be flirted with again!" she sighed. "Still, your secret, sir, please? That is what I want to know."

"If you will have a little patience!" he begged. "I promise that I will not leave this place before I tell it to you."

Avoiding his eyes, Philippa called the others. "We are quite ready for bridge," she announced \* \* \*

"Do you play club bridge in town, Mr. Lessingham?" Griffiths asked. He had become more taciturn than ever, and even

come more taciturn than ever, and even Philippa had to admit that the evening was

Philippa had to admit that the evening was not ending successfully.

"Never." Lessingham replied calmly.

"You are head and shoulders above us in bridge down here."

"Very good of you to say so," Lessingham replied courteously.

"I wonder," Griffiths went on, dropping his voice a little and keeping his eyes fixed upon his companion, "what the German substitute for bridge is."

"I wonder," Lessingham echoed. He strolled away toward Philippa.

"So many thanks, Lady Cranston," Lessingham murmured, "for your hospitality."

'And what about the secret?"

"And what about the secret?"
"You see, there are two. One I shall
most surely tell you before I leave here,
because it is the one secret which no man
has ever kept to himself. As for the other—"

has ever kept to himself. As for the other—"
He hesitated. She broke in hastily.
"I did not call you away to ask about either. I happened to notice Captain Griffiths just now. Do you know that he is watching you very closely?"

"I had an idea of it. He is rather a clumsy person, is he not?"

"You will be careful?" she begged earnestly. "Remember, won't you, that Helen and I are really in a most disgraceful position if anything should come out."

"Nothing shall. I think you know that, whatever might happen to me, I should ind some means to protect you."

"You really are a delightful person!" she exclaimed. "Captain Griffiths," she continued, as she observed his approach, "if you really must go, please take Mr.

continued, as she observed his approach, "if you really must go, please take Mr. Lessingham with you. He is making fun of me. I don't allow even Dick's friends to do that. You must both come again very soon," Philippa concluded, as they shook hands. "I enjoyed our bridge impensely."

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The two men were already on their way to the door when a sudden idea seemed to occur to Captain Griffiths.

"By the by, Lady Cranston," he asked sympathetically, "have you had any news of your brother?"

Designed shook her head sadly. Helen

Philippa shook her head sadly. Helen turned away and held a handkerchief to

"Not a word," was Philippa's sorrow-

ful reply.
"Bad luck!" he said. "I'm so sorry,
"Cood night once more."

Lady Cranston. Good night once more."
This time their departure was uninterrupted. Helen removed her handkerchief

rupted. Helen removed her handkerchief from her eyes, and Philippa made a little grimace at the closed door.

"Do you believe," Helen asked, "that Captain Griffiths has any suspicions?"

Philippa shrugged her shoulders. "If he has, who cares!" she replied a little defiantly. "The very idea of a duel of wits between those two men is laughable,"

#### CHAPTER X

PHILIPPA and Helen went a few mornings later for a wall land trees and moorlands. Here and there, the yellow gorse glowed in unexpected corners. Driven by the wind, a white-winged gull briven by the wind, a winter-winged gui-sailed over their heads. A flight of pigeons, like torn leaves tossed about by the wind, circled and drifted above them. Philippa seated herself upon the trunk of a fallen tree and gazed contentedly about her. "If I had a looking-glass and a few more harring. I should be perfectly harpy." A flight of pigeons, about by the wind,

more hairpins, I should be perfectly happy,

she sighed. "My hair must look awful."

"I decline to say the correct thing,"
Helen declared. "I will only remind you
that there will be no one here to look at it."

"I am not sure," Philippa replied.
"These are the woods which the special
constables haunt by day and by night."

"Are you suggesting that we may meet
Mr. Lessingham?" Helen inquired, lazily.

"My dear," Philippa remonstrated, "Mr.
Lessingham does nothing crude. I am perfectly certain that he knows nothing of
the melodramatic spy. As to Zeppelins,
don't you remember he told us that he
hated them and was terrified of bombs?"

"And yet," Helen began—

She rose suddenly to her feet. Her
eyes were fixed upon a figure approaching.

"Good morning," called a familiar
voice very near.

Philippa est upright at once smoothed.

voice very near.

Philippa sat upright at once, smoothed her hair and looked resentfully at Lessing-ham. He was carrying a gun under his arm.

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"Whatever are you doing up here?" she
demanded. "You can't come out into the
woods here and shoot things just because
you feel like it."

you feel like it."

He seated himself between them.

"That is quite all right," he assured her.

"Mr. Windover, to whom these woods belong, asked me to bring my gun out this morning and try and get a woodcock."

"Gracious! You don't mean that Mr Windover is here, too?" Philippa looked uneasily around.

Windover is here, too?" Philippa looked uneasily around.

Lessingham shook his head. "His car came for him at the other side of the wood," he explained. "He was wanted and I elected to walk home."

"And the woodcock?" she asked. "I adore woodcock."

He procured one from his pocket.
"There," he said, handing it to her, "the first woodcock of the season. I really only accepted one in the hope that you would like it."

"You must come and share it," Philippa insisted. "Those boys of Nora's are com-ing to dinner. Your gift shall be the pièce de résistance."

de résistance."

"Then I may dine another night?" he begged. "This place encourages in me the

begged. "This place encourages in me the grossest of appetites."

"Have no fear," she replied. "It is to be a simple feast to-night, but I promise that you shall not go away hungry."

"Will you promise that you will never send me away hungry?" he asked, dropping his voice for a moment.

She turned and studied him. His loose, well-fitting country clothes, his tie and soft collar, were all well-chosen and suitable. She admired his high forehead and his firm, rather proud mouth. His eyes as well as his tone were full of seriousness. Philippa had no relish for serious flirtations.

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"Come," she said, "it's time to go home." Helen had already gone on ahead. Presently, they joined her.

Philippa arrested her companions on the outskirts of the wood, and pointed to the red-tiled little town under the cliff.

"Would one believe," she asked satirically, "that there could be scope here for the brains of a—Mr. Lessingham!"

"I was sent," he protested. "The error, if error there be, is not mine."

"And, after all," Helen reminded them both, "think how easily one may be misled

"And, after all," Helen reminded them both, "think how easily one may be misled by appearances. You couldn't imagine anything more honest than the faces of the villagers and the fishermen one sees about; yet do you know, Mr. Lessingham, that we were visited by burglars last night?" "Seriously?" he asked.

"Without a doubt. Last night they walked in through the French windows and made themselves at home in the library."

walked in through the French windows and made themselves at home in the library."

"I trust," Lessingham said, "that they did not take anything of value?"

"They took nothing," Philippa sighed. "They evidently didn't like our things."

"How do you know that you had burglars, if they took nothing away?"

"So practical!" Philippa murmured. "We heard some one running down the drive. The French windows were open, a chair was overturned in the library, and a drawer in my husband's desk was wide open."

"The proof," Lessingham admitted, "is

"The proof," Lessingham admitted, "is overwhelming. Does your husband keep anything of value in his desk?"

"Henry hasn't anything of value in the world," Philippa replied dryly, "except his securities, and they are at the bank."

"Without going so far as to contradict you," Lessingham observed with a smile, "I venture to disagree!"

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### Right Ways with Children

Earnings or Allowance or Both?

By Sidonie Matzner Gruenberg

Vice-President of Federation for Child Study

OTHER, give me a penny for a lolly-pop?"

Sometimes Mother says "Yes!"

with more or less enthusiasm; and sometimes she says "No!" with more or less decisiveness. Both seem to be equally hard.

or less decisiveness. Both seem to be equally hard.

The trouble seems to be that mothers have no clear policy to pursue with children's demands for money. It is not altogether a question of what the family can afford. Just as important is the question, Should Jane have this thing she wants?

One day Arnold asked his mother for a penny. "But I gave you a penny only the other day," answered the mother. "It was two days ago, mother," pleaded Arnold, as though the length of time was an indication of his great need. Mother gave him the penny, but she did not do it very graciously. When Arnold had gone, Mrs. Hunter, who was visiting Arnold's mother, asked, "Why don't you give him a regular allowance? He won't bother you so much then."

A RNOLD'S mother had never thought of that. An allowance for a child of six? Why, what could he do with it?

He could do with it no worse than he is doing with the three or four cents a week that he gets for his nagging. And there is just the possibility that he might do better. If the child is old enough to spend his penny, he is old enough to begin

do better. If the child is old enough to spend his penny, he is old enough to begin counting two or three pennies, and to plan his spending two or three days in advance. When the child feels the need for money, there should be some way for him to get it. The most simple and direct source of money, as of all his other needs, is of course the gift of the parents. The child may be granted a money allowance on exactly the same grounds as he is given his food and his clothing and his shelter. If we think of the money that the child spends as a necessary instrument for his education in the art of spending and saving, we shall not the art of spending and saving, we shall not hesitate to give him the "allowance" as we give him his other supplies. Moreover, it is well to make an arrangement that will avoid begging on his part, and annoyance on our part.

Parents and teachers often seem afraid

Parents and teachers often seem afraid to give up whatever power they may hold over the younger people. We do hate to see children grow in independence. Per-haps it is only the unconscious fear that we are becoming superfluous to our children. At any rate, Arnold's mother insisted upon tying a string to her concession.

If he comes to me for each penny, I can withhold it, or grant it, and thus use it as a means for rewarding him when he is good or for punishing him when he is naughty." This probably represents the unexpressed thoughts of very many of us. If our control over the pennies did indeed accomplish what rewards and punishments are commonly supposed to accomplish, there might be some force in this attitude. But aside from that doubt, we ought to apply the same principles to the money allowance that we apply to the other contributions which we regularly make to the child's health and welfare. We decide to purchase clothes and books and breakfast food solely on the grounds of the child's needs and our resources. We do not starve or freeze a child because he has been "naughty." It follows logically that if the allowance is recognized as a necessary part allowance is recognized as a necessary part of the child's experience, it should come as a regular part of the child's life.

IN many families it is still possible for children to find "chores" of various kinds to perform. Parents are often puzzled in regard to the relation between these home duties and the child's allowance or payment for services. Generally speaking, the child should learn to do his share of the work as a matter of course. He should not expect to get paid for ordinary fetching and carrying. Children, at first, love to do these things because the activity is in the nature of a game. When the child is old enough to have his own interests, he is likely to resent not so much the call to service as enough to have his own interests, he is likely to resent not so much the call to service as the distraction from his own concerns. It is not, as a rule, "laziness" or unwillingness to oblige that stands in the way of getting our children to do what we ask of them. It is more likely to be our manner of requesting the service, or our interference with the child's own plans. If the required chores can be made a part of the daily or weekly routine, most of the difficulty will be removed. moved.

THESE routine participations in the family's activities do not call for pay. On special occasions, however, unusual service may legitimately receive special payment. Yet even here the child should be paid only for work that you would otherwise have to hire someone to do.

There are occasions or situations in which it may be even well to pay the child for regular household chores. It may happen in many families, as it did in that of Harry Alden, that the total amount of work at home has to be increased, and that an

Harry Alden, that the total amount of work at home has to be increased, and that an additional assignment for the child would justify a temptation to rebel. While the additional work was too much to ask Harry to do "for nothing," it was not too much for him to do "for pay,"

AGAIN, in many homes children have little or no opportunity to earn AGAIN, in many homes children have little or no opportunity to earn money on the outside. In such cases it is better to pay the child for his regular work, rather than give him an allowance. Children vary so much both in their ability to find opportunities to earn money and in their surroundings, that some may need to be helped out by the family.

As the child grows older his needs and desires also grow. But the opportunity to earn does not always grow proportionately. With most children it will become necessary to increase the allowance, so as to enable

to increase the allowance, so as to enable them to buy more and more of the "neces-sities." The aim should be to get the child to exercise complete control of all that he gets, besides food and other general needs, as soon as possible. With some children this may take up to eighteen years or later; with others it may be practically achieved at fourteen. At any rate, if the earnings are not sufficient, the allowance should tend to become large enough to cover the actual need for clothing regression and so one

need for clothing, recreation and so on. By spending money, however obtained, the child learns to value dimes and quarters and dollars in relation to what they can buy. But it is only by receiving his money for services rendered that he can learn how much a dime or a quarter is worth in hu-man cost. If Walter has to lose the last three innings of a baseball game to earn a quarter, his attitude toward what a quar-

ter will buy will be influenced accordingly.

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open the envelopes containing their wealth. It is on the filthy straw beds of these internment camps, previously occupied by untold numbers of exiles or prisoners, that the refugees contract most of the bad skin diseases and head troubles that now keep me busy almost daily; for, since February, I have been transferred to the pouponnière, or baby section, established in a stationary Red Cross railroad car fitted out for the purpose. There we have eight or ten tables in a row, each containing a mattress covered with rubber and a tiny sheet with a basin next to it. In each corner there is a pail of hot water where baby-bottles full of milk are kept warm for the children who are too young to eat in the restaurant. Boxes filled with various articles of baby clothing and towels are conveniently placed on a stretcher suspended from the wall, in case of need. A Red Cross table contains all necessary instruments, gauze, and medicines. Several Swiss soldiers are detailed to fetch hot water, and gauze, and medicines. Several Swiss sol-diers are detailed to fetch hot water, and wrap up the repulsive soiled clothing, which is given back clean to the mother of each clean child.

We begin our siege on unwashed baby-hood by collecting the children under four years of age while they are at the table, taking down the car number and the name of the mother, in order to know where to return the little ones. Some of the children return the little ones. Some of the children are friendly, easy to manage, and conversational to an extreme. But generally they sobbingly repeat over and over again: "Ma maman est partie!" and sometimes cling to us for protection, when, in the first doubtful moments, they mistake the Swiss uniform for the no-longer fairytale ogres of childhood, the Bockes. Occasionally, we have the restful experience of bathing a child who is as much interested in the cleaning process as we are, and delightedly comchild who is as much interested in the cleaning process as we are, and delightedly compares her one scrubbed leg to the other grimy one, or joyfully admires and strokes her fresh, new clothes, as if afraid they might vanish like a dream.

Unfortunately, such cases are rare. I once had to cut a shirt off a small boy because he clung to it so frantically. This

once had to cut a shirt off a small boy oc-cause he clung to it so frantically. This often comes from modesty. One little boy very seriously requested me to stand be-tween him and a petite fille who was sitting nearby in all the primitive glory of Eve. Sometimes the children are just obstinate, or unhappy without their mothers. With soldiers, nurses, two doctors and some-times a Red Cross man, there is no room in the pouponnière for the mothers, who would unwittingly retard the work.

NEVER, so long as I live, shall I forget NEVER, so long as I live, shall I forget my sensation on looking down into a mass of blond curls in which tiny specks were slowly moving! I rapidly put some distance between myself and the little girl, who was using me for a pillow; then I gathered up all my self-control, and pushed under my protecting cap any stray hair, lest it prove a temptation to the insect colony which I had set out to exterminate. The next minute I managed to massage the baby head with a petroleum preparation supplied from the Red Cross table.

The most difficult job that ever fell to my lot was the bathing of a little chap of two years, who was dressed in a neat blue suit and had a deceptively clean face. But one whiff of him after I had him in my arms was enough to undeceive me. I sum-

one whith of him after I had him in my arms was enough to undeceive me. I summoned a soldier to keep him from kicking, held my nose with one hand, and proceeded to pull off a stocking. By that time I was experiencing a sudden longing for the open fields—clover preferably. I glanced at my soldier friend, who looked pale despite his stand expend to have the same soldier friend, who looked pale despite his tanned skin, and seemed to have the same rural impulse as I. I thanked my lucky stars that I had the table near the door, and stuck out my head for a timely breath of air. Then I returned to the kicking youngster, while the soldier gratefully followed my example and put his nose outside for a reviving whiff. We continued in this jumping-jack fashion until the child was completely undressed, and thus held on to our self-control until we could throw the fifthy clothes out of the window, to be picked up and put into boiling water by a soldier outside. You never would have recognized that baby boy when I had dressed him in some of the clothes donated by the Swiss and French benefactresses. Even his mother hesitated before claiming him.

Such is the task which our Zurich Comité des Repatriés has undertaken and reduced to a systematic routine. Nor is ours the only Samaritan city along the évacués' homeward route. Although we are the ones who receive them at their first long stop after crossing the German frontier at Lake Constance, other committees through-out Switzerland meet each train regularly all along the line to the French border at

I HAD the opportunity of seeing the welcome given at each station, when I was recently detached to accompany a train of four hundred évacués to France. For lunch, the people were given sausages and rolls, and, at Berne, again coffee and refreshments were served to them through the train windows during a twenty minutes' stop. A crowd of school children came to the station just to sing little French songs and cheer the évacués. The greatest joy of all, however, was seeing a French prisoner make a dash into the train, calling: "Maman!" The next moment, he lifted up an old, weeping woman in his arms and smothered her with kisses, saying, "Never mind, Maman; from now on a new life begins for both us. Don't be sad any more!"

At Fribourg there was another welcom At Fribourg there was another welcome and more souvenirs, with a large group of French interned on hand to talk with their compatriots. Women have often said pleadingly to me: "Please, ma soeur, won't you bring a French soldier here for me to kiss, for the sake of my own boy at the front? It is so long since I have seen our own uniform!" own uniform

own uniform!"

At the three stops between Lausanne and Bouveret, hot chocolate and sandwiches were served, and French flags hung from windows of homes overlooking the railroad tracks. At Bouveret, since I was the only member of the Swiss personnel of the train who had permission to enter France, the Swiss car was detached to return to Zurich and drop, on the way back, the various Red Cross women it had picked up at each city. Here the French authorities met each city. Here the French authorities met us and we all had our pictures taken in a farewell group. The people, tearfully grate-

farewell group. The people, tearfully grateful, waved an affectionate good-by to Switzerland, as we entered France.

At Evian, just over the border of France, I watched my recent protegés file down the village street to the Casino, under a sign, Soyes les Bienvenus. Later I joined them at supper in the huge room of the Casino where great preparations had been sino where great preparations had been made for their welcome. The *Préjet* greeted the évacués with an eloquent speech and gave for them a resumé of military activities since they had been shut off from France. Then he offered a vote of thanks to Switzerland for all she had done in taking them to her heart. This message I was ing them to her heart. This message I was charged with taking back. At the same time, the Préfet said that it was a rare pleasure to shake the hand of a representa-

pleasure to shake the hand of a representative of France's new and great ally, the United States. Then the orchestra played the Marseillaise, and everybody stood up and joined in the singing. The Swiss National Hymn followed, and, after that came two tedious hours of regulating passports and official papers.

Before I left Evian to return to Switzerland, I visited Bellevue hospital. It was here that I chanced upon the saddest tale I have heard in all this review of misery. A mother and four children from a little village in Northern France lay stiffly bandaged in the white beds along the wall. Back at home one of the little boys had spent the hours playing with exploded shells which he found on the streets. One day he discovered an interesting specimen day he discovered an interesting specimen—one which had not burst—and he tried to open it. Failing in this, the youngster picked up a rock and shattered it! The awful result may be imagined. Not a piece could be found of the child so full of life a moment before: two nearly houses were could be found of the child so full of life a moment before; two nearby houses were blown up, and a little brother at some distance lost an eye and had one cheek badly torn. The poor distracted mother lost her mind when she heard of the disaster and she, with her injured children, was brought to Evian. From the hospital where these miserable five Lave found kindness and somewhat of comfort, it may be that three children will go out again to live. Even I, grown so accustomed to war sorrows, was glad to get into the streets after that.

glad to get into the streets after that.

Within a few days on a radiantly sunny morning, I took a boat across the lake to Switzerland, and left Evian and its portion of woe-left my hopeful little band of 400 to find as best they might, homes and friends and courage to pick up again their

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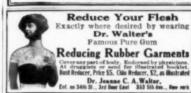


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She gave a merry little rippling laugh, and then sobered suddenly. "Do you know—you were right. The girl in there is dead."
"You mean Jean Craddock, aged eight? You see, I lifted out a book to see whose property it was."

"I mean Jean Craddock, aged sixteen. I have come to see if I can bring her back to life or whether she is quite dead."

It was a most unusual experience. Yesterday, the diaries in the trunk; to-day, the girl kneeling there by it—as though the genii had tapped on the chest and there had arisen the girl of long ago.

As the shower ceased to drop its shrapnel on the cabin roof, the girl jumped up. "She's alive," she asserted joyously. "Alive—and she can stay a week."

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"She's alive," she asserted joyously. "Alive—and she can stay a week."

Alan watched her go down through the orchard toward the old house in the clearing—the sun shining through the rain-spangled branches on the gold-brown of her hair. "Jean Craddock," he said softly, "not dead nor over forty—but alive and—twenty-three."

twenty-three."
That was Tuesday. On Wednesday ha awoke with a vague, delightful feeling. Al day his mind reverted to the new thing in his life. In the evening he walked briskly around by the house in the clearing. She was crossing the barnyard. When she saw him, she waved her basket gaily and called,

him, she waved her basket gally and cance, "I'm hunting for eggs. Do you like to?"
"It's my favorite pastime," said the grouchiest member of Western faculty.

On Thursday, they went berrying. On

grouchiest member of Western faculty. On Thursday, they went berrying. On Friday, they took Alan's runabout and drove to the big woods for pine cones and spruce bark. On Saturday, they got out the old water-soaked punt and went fishing—all of which had nothing in particular to do with the writing of psychology texts. Sunday evening they drove aimlessly, contentedly, over the long, brown highways. When he was helping her out of the car—it happened. It was only for a moment that he caught her to him and kissed her with, "I love you, little Jean Craddock"—only for a moment that she clung to him. Then she said, "Oh, no, no," and sped

her with, "I love you, little Jean Craddock"
—only for a moment that she clung to him.
Then she said, "Oh, no, no," and sped through the yard that led to the old house.
On Monday morning when Alan opened the cabin door, he picked up her note. It said, "I am leaving this morning, instead of to-night as I had planned. Please believe that it is better so."

As he stood, stupid and uncomprehending, the morning train whistled in. It woke him to action. Speeding down to the village station in the runabout, he saw the train pulling out. He felt he wanted to be dragged along with it. But she would not—she would not go out of his life like this. When Alan returned to the house in the clearing, he found the old people in the garden together. When he asked where Jean had gone, he was bewildered to meet with an instant rebuff.

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"That I will not tell ye," the old man gruffed out.

"But—I love her," explained Alan, as though it settled the matter.

The old man took his pipe from his mouth. "Love!" he said—"Huh!" and replaced his pipe.

Alan turned to the grandmother, who had been crying. She looked timidly at her husband and said, "I canna tell ye."

When school opened in September, the professor of psychology, apparently unchanged, took his place at Western. Over and over the details of that week in the summer went through his mind. Through it all, his faith never wavered. The memory summer went through his mind. Through it all, his faith never wavered. The memory of her charm, her childlike purity, her loveliness, permitted no thought but that she was all she had seemed.

In November, he went back to the farmhouse. After an unsuccessful interview with the old man, Alan tramped up through fallen leaves to the cabin. As he came back in the deepening dusk, the grandmother stepped out from the shadow of a tree.

"Pa's out milkin'," she said breathlessly.
"Here it is."

The slip of paper contained an address in an eastern city.

With fine disregard for work, Alan told his President he had been called east.

He determined to call on Fritz Emerson of his old college class. At a more suitable hour, after lunch, he would find Jean.

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He easily found the great brokerage suite, and his welcome was greater than he had imagined. Little Fritz wrung his hand and pounded him on the back.

"Married, Alan?" he asked.

"Not guilty. How about you, Fritzie?"

"Not yet, but soon" and hunched into

"Not yet—but soon," and launched into a panegyric on the qualities of one Miss

Marjorie Wilmarth, in the midst of which he became suddenly imbued with the noble desire to have Alan meet Miss Wilmarth and the girls that composed her set. That afternoon, there was to be a tea-drinking stunt of some sort at Marjorie's home— wouldn't he come?

wouldn't he come?

Alan felt compelled to accede to the plan. Through the unfamiliar avenues they rode, stopping in front of one of the castle-like structures that lined the drive. Dreading the ordeal, Alan entered the house in tow of the little man, who bounced along like a rubber ball.

Soft lights, sweet music, delicate colors, made up the combination of sensations that assailed him.

A few feet away stood a laughing, animated group of young people. In their midst, in pink "as pale as the first little anemones," stood Jean Craddock.

anemones," stood Jean Craddock.

As though hypnotically compelled, she turned and met Alan's eyes. Dazed, uncomprehending, her own clung to his. The color slipped from her face, but she kept her perfect poise.

Fritz gaily piloted Alan toward the group. "Marjorie, I want Mr. Seymore to know you. Alan, Miss Wilmarth—my fiancée."

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Jean Craddock extended her hand.
"Old college classmate, you know, people. Knows more than all the rest of us in this bunch put together. Can't give us but a few minutes—looking up an old girl of his this afternoon. Lucky girl, I say—" and on and on in his little, piping voice. Alan stood straight, immobile. Would the confounded lunk-head never stop? It seemed hours before they found a corner to themselves in the gallery. Marjorie Wilmarth raised miserable eyes to Alan.

"That girl—was it—"
"Yes—you."

"How did you find me?" He explained in the briefest way. Tears sprang to her eyes. "Granny did that for me?" She was unconscious of the slip. "Oh, I've so much to tell you—so many things to explain—if we only had more time—they may come in here any minute—" Her sentences were tripping over each other.

With folded arms, the man stood looking down at her.

"I'll tell you all about me, now," she went on. "I'll begin back whea I was a little girl—no—before I was born. Grappy Craddock and Grandfather Wilmarth were great friends as boys. Later Grappy had one daughter and Grandfather Wilmarth

went on. "I'll begin back when I was a little girl—no—before I was born. Grappy Craddock and Grandfather Wilmarth were great friends as boys. Later Grappy had one daughter and Grandfather Wilmarth three sons. One of the sons went out to Grappy's to spend the summer vacation. He was twenty. She—my mother—she was only seventeen, you know—Grappy made him marry her. After the marriage, the son, my father, started back east and was killed in a wreck. When I was born, my mother died. I lived with Grappy until I was sixteen. Then the Wilmarths suddenly decided they wanted me, but Grappy didn't want to give me up. They left it finally to my own decision. Of course, I wasn't long in deciding. It seemed like the enchanted garden to me. My mother's death, the Wilmarths' immense wealth, Grappy's poverty, my decision to leave him—those things all made Grappy bitter. He won't mention the Wilmarth name, nor allow Granny to either. He has always called me Jean Craddock just as my mother was called. When they told me on my sixteenth birthday, I was wild to come—but just at the last minute I was sorry for the little Jean Craddock I was leaving behind. I had to change my name—everything changed—my ideas—my ideals—life itself. The Wilmarths made me promise not to go back—but last summer I went. They thought I was with Alene Palmer at her home. I wanted to see Grappy and Granny. I wanted to see if there was any of the old Jean left. I—" She suddenly covered her face with her hands. "I'm sorry—I went." His lips were pressed, as if waiting to get himself well in hand.

"Why?" he asked in a moment.

She turned her face away. "You know." When he spoke again it was to ask very low: "Don't you care for Fritz?"

"He is good to me," she evaded, with pitiful eyes. "And he represents all the things I have grown used to having. I was engaged to him before—last summer. I wasn't—in love with him—but—it seemed

pitiful eyes. "And things I have grown engaged to him before—last summer. I was wasn't—in love with him—but—it seemed all right."

"Doesn't it seem all right, now?"
"Oh, no," she admitted, simply.
"Would you be happy with me?" he asked suddenly.
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### Summer Care of Infants

By Hermann M. Biggs, M.D., LL.D.

Commissioner of Health, State of New York

NEVER has the conservation of infant life been more important than at present. In many of the more highly civilized countries of the world this year the birth-rate will show a great diminution, while the death-rate has very much increased. The total number of births in France and in the Central Powers will hardly exceed one-half the number occurring in the years preceding the war, while the death (aside from those occurring in the armies) have markedly increased. To some extent at least the same change which has occurred in Europe will undoubtedly occur in this country now that we are in the war.

The Federal Children's Bureau has determined to save 100,000 infantalives this year. This drive is to be conducted in cooperation with the Women's Committee of the Council of National Defense. The Public Protection of Maternity and Infancy will be the first aim of the compagin. The United States Public Health Service will also undertake a plan of cooperation with State and Municipal Health Authorities to safeguard school children from the physical handicaps produced by malnutrition.

EW people realize that the death-rate of infants under one year of age is ten times as great as that of children between the ages of five and fifteen. More than 100 out of every 1000 infants born in this country die before the end of the first year. Formerly this number was born in this country die before the end of the first year. Formerly this number was very much larger and in some industrial centers even 200 or more out of each 1000 died during the first year of life. There has thus been a great decrease, but the number of deaths is still far too large. In New Zealand and in specially favored country districts one-half or less as

many deaths occur as in this country as a whole.

as a whole.
It is especially
in summer that the
death-rate in infants
is highest and can
be most certainly
prevented. The large
number of deaths
this esseen is the at this season is the result particularly of the hot weather and improper feedand improper recu-ing and the diarrhe-al diseases which are thus caused. In winter it is mostly the diseases of the respiratory tract which are the cause of many unneces-sary deaths in in-fants. While there is reason to believe that heat itself is a

that heat itself is a factor in producing diarrheal disease, especially in infants, there can be no question that most of the cases are caused by improper feeding and especially by had cows' milk or milk not properly modified to suit the age of the baby, or given at too frequent intervals or in larger quantities than the stomach of the infant can care for.

VERY few babies are at their best dur-ing the hot weather. Usually the gain in weight is less than during the rest of the in weight is less than during the rest of the year. There is, however, comparatively little trouble with those who are nursed by their mothers—the only perfect infant food is mother's milk. Ten bottle-fed babies die to one fed at the breast. There are very few mothers who cannot nurse their babies if they try to do so under the direction of a competent physician. Frequently the failure of the breast milk and the disturbances which follow its use are due to the ignorance of the mother as to the proper diet for herself.

WHEN it is impossible to secure mother's milk, fresh, clean cows' milk, properly modified and pasteurized, is the best substitute. Milk may be pasteurized by placing the bottles in a double-boiler and putting in a thermometer and heating it until the water is 150 degrees F. The boiler should then be moved to the back of the stove so as to keep the temperature between 140 and 150 degrees F. for thirty minutes. This is necessary to destroy the more important many of the more minutes of the world.

which may get into even the best milk. In summer, and

especially on very hot days, the baby needs less food but more water than at other seasons of the year. The milk should therefore be somewhat diluted with boiled water, and cool boiled water should also be given freely be-tween feedings. The clothing should be of the lightest character, and the baby should be kept out of doors as much as possible (except when it hot), and should be bathed morning hot days also in the

hot), and should be bathed morning and evening, and on hot days also in the middle of the day. If any signs of diarrhea appear, the food should be immediately diluted with boiled water, and the amount of food much decreased. If the diarrhea continues or if there is vomiting or fever, all food should be at once stopped and only boiled water given, while a physician should be immediately called.

Every mother should send to a State or City Department of Health for a booklet on the summer care and the feeding of infants. A stamp should be enclosed.

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TREATMENT OF SPINAL CURVATURE

N. K., Oregon, and others.—My daughter has a slight curvature of the spine. She is growing very fast. Would systematic exercise tend to cor-rect the trouble?

The treatment of spinal curvature can The treatment of spinal curvature can be properly carried out only on the prescription and under the supervision of an orthopedic surgeon. In general it consists in careful attention to the bodily health, removal of the cause (if due to bad posture, etc.), properly directed corrective exercises and massage: in some cases spinal braces and massage; in some cases spinal braces are required. Properly treated in early life, slight curvatures are curable. In adults this condition is apt to be permanent. Home treatment is not advisable

CANCER OF THE STOMACH

S. A., New York.—What are the first symptoms of cancer of the stomach?

There may be no symptoms at first other than general failure of health. As a rule, however, there is some gastric disturbance, dyspepsia, nausea, vomiting (sometimes of blood), and there is pain in the region of the stomach, aggravated by taking food. As the disease progresses these symptoms increase in intensity, the patient becomes emaciated, very anemic, and the face has a sallow appearance. At the slightest suspicion of cancer, a physician should be consulted.

REMOVING A SCAR

E. A., Kentucky.—Can a disfiguring scar on the face or neck be removed?

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When she remained silent, he said, "It

When she remained silent, he said, "It seems preposterous—to compare all this that you have with what I could give you—the four things I could share with you." "What four things?"

"My salary—it's twenty-four hundred dollars a year—and a seven-roomed bunga-low—and a dinky runabout of last year's model—and—and love."

"And—love." She repeated it after him, very low. In a moment, she said in a little tense voice: "Last summer when I left Granny's I thought I put everything out of my mind—the apple orchard—you. But I learned something—there are bridges that won't burn."

Neither spoke for a moment, after her confession. Suddenly, she looked up at him. "I want to be fair to you. I want to be fair to Fritz. But most of all, I think I want to be fair to Marjorie Wilmarth and Jean Craddock. I can't go on like this—"For the first time she smiled with a touch of her old mischievousness. "Marjorie Wilmarth likes the flesh-pots of Egypt—Jean Craddock believed in good things and simple things—" Jean Craddock believed in good things and

"Yes," she said bravely, "she did." In a moment, she asked, "Could you come out to Granny's again in May?"

"I'm going to give them equal chances— those two girls. I'm going to give them until May to know which may survive. I'll come to Granny's some time in the first

week of May-and, whichever way it is, I will tell you." They went to join the crowd. They went to join the

May came, slowly—shyly. For two evenings after the westbound train passed through, Alan sat on the seat formed by the roots of the apple trees, with his eyes

through, Alan sat on the seat formed by the roots of the apple trees, with his eyes glued on the house in the clearing.

On the third, "Pleasant evening, Mr. Seymore," she said suddenly at his back, and laughed like a child at his surprise.

"Well," he questioned, his hands clenched at the import of the moment, "which are you?"

"T'm just a girl," she said humbly, "who has come many hundred miles to ask a very wise man four questions."

"What are they?"

"The first one is—what will twenty-four hundred dollars a year will buy for a family nourishing food, sufficient clothing, a few friendly books and a bit of good music."

"And what will a seven-roomed bungalow hold?"

"It will hold two people who love each other, and leave room for a little boy, some other, and leave room for a little boy, some time, who will pull his daddy's papers off the desk and throw his mother's thread down the registers."

She leaned her cheek suddenly against the shaggy gray bark of the tree. In a mo-ment, she went on: "And where can one go in a dinky runabout of last year's model?" "One can go out in the peace of the good green country—out where the wild roses tangle on the hillside and where the sumac burns scarlet in the timber."

"And what—is love?"

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"It is dreams come true," he said gently.
"Well," she said, with a queer little
laugh, "you certainly have the most uncanny way of bringing Jean Craddock back
to life—and if you really think you want
me, I'm afraid you'll have to take me
pretty soon, for when I told them, they
made such a fuss—I didn't bring anything
but a comb and two handkerchiefs and a
toothbrush—"

He held her close without a word

He held her close without a word.

A discriminating co-ed ran up the stairs of the dormitory and burst into the room from which came an odor of fudge. "The biggest piece of news since the flood"

flood."
"Well," said her pessimistic room-mate

coolly, "ready—aim—fire."

"I told you I suspected it—you said 'piffle,' remember—and now it's come.
Seymore's married!"

"No!"

"No!"

"No!"
"Honest as Mary Pickford's curls. They
were on the car. Introduced Prof. Gates
to her—Professor Gates, I want you to
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gray of the morning, and I threw open the doors and walked out to the porch. A rain had come on during the night, though I had not known it. I lifted my face to its cool drops as though it brought a caress. I laughed in happiness that I should be a part of the splendid whole of things.

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Oh, Kent, it is you to whom I reach my arms!

#### Jerusalem Unbound

It is Allenby, their deliverer. Eagerly, the people search his face for signs of friend-liness; and, steadfastly, this man of the West returns their gaze, for are they not to be fellow citizens of the New Jerusalem? How they throng the towers and the balconies! There by the crescent and the star, on that balcony near the gate, stands a disarmed Turkish soldier, free and at attention. He is glad, I think. Up near the clock tower, over the gate, the top-rimmed black hat of a Greek priest picks out a black hat of a Greek priest picks out a silhouette in the sky. Fezzes, scarfs, caps, tears, joy, but no shouting. There, on the steps of David's Tower, stand the major and the allied officers. A priest is reading and interpreting the proclamation by General Allenby. "The General from the West salutes the people of Jerusalem of all sects and nations and bids them go happily and innocently about their occupations.

He guarantees order and that no harm shall

He guarantees order and that no harm shall come from the British troops."

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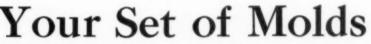
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blespoons-sugar corn syrup 1 EGG

Scald the milk, and pour over the corn meal; add the shortening and sugar or syrup. When cool, add the rice, and the flour, salt and baking pow-der, which have been sifted together; add beaten Beat well and bake in greased muffin-tins

#### Oatmeal Biscuits

3 tesspoons Royal Baking Powder
3 tesspoons alt
2 tablespoons sugar
3 cup water
NO EGGS 1% cups flour

Sift flour, baking powder, salt and sugar together. Add catmeal, melted shortening and enough water

pan in moderate oven about 20 minutes.

#### Chocolate Cake

% cup shortening 1 cup brown sugar 2 squares chocolate 1 cup rye or barley flour % cup wheat flour

3 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder ½ teaspoon salt ½ cup milk 1 teaspoon vanilla 1 cup walnuts

Cream shortening; add sugar and melted chocolate. Add one-half the flour, which has been sifted with the baking powder and salt. Mix well and add the milk; add the remainder of the flour, vanilla and the nuts, which have been chopped. Bake in greased loaf-pan in moderate oven 35 to 45 minutes.

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to make a soft dough. Roll out thin on floured

board; cut with biscuit-cutter and bake in greased

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## THE McCALL FOOD BUREAU

What to have to eat and how to cook it

#### Good Things Out of Nuts

By Lilian M. Gunn

ANY changes have been made in the planning of our foods by the new conditions which confront us, and one good result is the better appreciation of nuts as a staple article in our menus. Highly nutritious as well as deliciously flavored, the nut well described in the propriets of the nutrition o

as well as deliciously involved, the full well deserves its new prominence. Nuts have been considered by many to be indigestible. This is often due to their being eaten after a hearty meal, when the stomach has already had all it ought to digest.

Nuts are a source of protein and fat, and should be supplemented by bulky foods which will supply the other food principles.



Steamed Nut Pudding, Marshmallow



Steamed Nut Bread

NUT CROQUETTES

Take equal quantities of cold mashed potatoes and ground nuts. Mix well, add 1 well-beaten egg, 1 tablespoonful of flour, and a little salt. Form the batter into small cakes, dip in beaten egg, roll in crumbs, fry in deep, hot cooking-oil. Croquettes may be baked instead of fried.

STEAMED NUT PUDDIN cupfuls pastry % cupful nuts chopped fine cupful raisins cupful raisins cupful sour milk cupful molasses teaspoonful cinnaflour
teaspoonful soda
teaspoonful salt
teaspoonful su e t
chopped fine
teaspoonful clove

Mix and sift dry ingredients. molasses and milk to suet. Combine with dry ingredients. Fill well greased molds two-thirds full of mixture; steam 45 minutes if in individual molds, 2 hours if in large molds.

STEAMED BREAD WITH NUTS 14 tablespoonful soda 1 teaspoonful salt 14 cupful molasses 15 cupful nuts ground fine cupful corn meal cupful grabam flour 1 cupful rye flour 2 cupfuls sour milk

Mix dry ingredients, combine with the moist; add the nuts, and steam 3 hours. Water or sweet milk may be used. One-pound baking-powder tins, very thoroughly greased, make fine molds for bread. Be sure to grease the covers.

#### NUTS AS SHORTENING

For piecrust, rub the nut meats through a sieve, and use equal quantities of nuts and flour. For biscuits, use a little more than you would if it were butter. To blanch black walnuts, heat the meats in a moderate oven, letting them get just hot enough for the skins to slip off. Rub well, and pour from one dish to another.

#### NUT ROAST

Soak 2 cupfuls of hominy (grits) over ting it in a cool place so that it will not sour. In the morning, boil it until thick and thoroughly cooked. Take any kind of nuts, 1½ pounds, and run them through the food chopper. Mix them with the hominy, season with salt and chopped celery, place in a greased tin and brush over with melted fat. Bake, basting frequently with butter-substitute melted in hot water. Serve with cream sauce.

## The Other Flours

By Lilian M. Gunn

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oven.

other half of the milk with the cereal, beat well, combine with the other in-gredients and add the melted fat. Bake in muffin tins 30 minutes in a moderate

RYE RAISIN ROLLS

Sift together the flour, baking-powder, and salt, cut in the fat, and add the milk slowly until the mixture can be handled on a board. Roll out in an oblong sheet, sprinkle with the sugar mixed with the cinnamon, dot on the raisins. Roll up tightly like a jelly roll and cut in slices about 34 inch thick. Lay the slice on its flat side and bake in a hot oven about 15 minutes.

Sift flour, salt, soda, and spices. Add the oats and the raisins. Melt the fat in the water; add the corn syrup. Add sugar and egg beaten. Drop by spoonfuls on a baking-sheet. This will make 72 medium-sized cookies.

cupful milk 1 teaspoonful salt cupful water 4 cupfuls whole wheat flour tablespoonfuls mo 2 cupfuls barley meal

Scald milk, add water, cool to luke-warm. Add yeast mixed with some of the lukewarm liquid, molasses and salt. Stir in flour and barley sifted together. Knead, using more flour if necessary. Cover, let rise until it doubles in bulk. Form into loaves and put into well-greased pans; let it rise until it again doubles in bulk. Then bake in a moder-ate oven four hours.

Add the syrup, the salt, and the fat to the oatmeal

while it is still warm. Cool this

mixture and then

add the yeast to it. Then proceed in the same way as when making a n y other yeast bread. Bake in a

moderate oven.

ate oven four hours.

4 tablespoonfuls fat 34 cupful milk 15 teaspoonful salt 16 teaspoonful cinna-

34 cupful dark corn

34 cupful brown sugar

% cgg billing cupful fat cupful seeded

I cupful rye
I cupful wheat
4 teaspoonfuls bakingpowder
2 tablespoonfuls sugar
56 teas
60 teaspoonfuls sugar
60 the flour,

cupfuls rolled oats teaspoonful soda teaspoonful salt cupfuls flour teaspoonful cinna-

HAT proportion of other cereals must I use with wheat flour to make my cooking most palatable and save all the wheat possible? This is the question that many women are asking, a question a little hard to answer if one does not know all the ingredients in each recipe. But there are general rules which may be followed with satisfactory results. Of course, always use some other cereal in all your breads, even if only a little; it will help to save the wheat.

In Johnny cake, spoon breads, corn pone and dodgers, all corn may be used; in muffins the best results are obtained by using from ½ to 1/3, and in yeast breads 1/3 is the safest rule.

Rye, alone, may be used in making HAT proportion of other cereals

Rye, alone, may be used in making muffins and baking-powder biscuit, and in popovers and pastry, ½ rye is safe. In yeast bread, 2/3 rye gives excellent results. The supply of rye is limited, and the Food Administration urges that use the other wheat substitutes more

than rye.

Buckwheat is much like the rye in its use; it may be used by itself in muffins, but with yeast, ½ to 1/3 is best.

Oats, both cooked and uncooked, are used in many breads at the present time. Using uncooked rolled oats, 1/3 for yeast breads gives a good bread; with the cooked cereals, in muffins, a little less than ½ is best. Do not forget that you can use other cooked cereals besides oats, and if you have not already besides oats, and if you have not already done so, try barley muffins, using 1 cupful cooked barley and 1½ cupfuls wheat. Mashed potato is delicious in bread, and here you use 1/3 potato and 2/3 flour.

The yeast bread loses many of the

The yeast bread loses many of the characteristics of the wheat loaf when combined with other cereals, but in taste and nutritive value, it equals and in many cases excels the former product.

2 cupfuls buckwheat 1 egg 4 teaspoonfuls bak-ing-powder 1 tablespoonful melted 3/2 teaspoonful salt fat 3 tablespoonfuls sugar

Mix and sift the dry ingredients, add the well-beaten egg to the milk, and combine with the dry mixture, add the fat last. Bake from 30 to 40 minutes in mussin a moderate oven.

Oatmeal Cookies

cupful cooked

cereal
cupfuls flour
tablespoonfuls sugar
teaspoonfuls baking-powder
teaspoonful salt
cupful milk

tablespoonfuls melted fat

Mix and sift the dry ingredients, add the egg well beaten and ½ the

milk. Mix the

**Buckwheat Muffins** 

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Rye Raisin Rolls

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#### The Egg as a Meat Substitute

By May Belle Brooks

Edited by Lilian M. Gunn

ever eggs may be indulged in freely, spring is the accepted time. And as a protein food to take the place of meat, there is nothing easier for digestion or more easily prepared.

SAVORY EGG BALLS

Drop 6 eggs into 2 quarts of boiling water, set where it will keep hot but not boil. At the end of 30 minutes remove and drop them into cold water, and peel. Drop the eggs as they are shelled into hot water to keep them warm, then roll them in melted fat or drippings, then in a mixture of chopped parsley, pickle, and salt and pepper. Grated cheese may be added or used alone to roll the eggs in.

BAKED EGGS ON TOAST

Toast rounds of war bread. Spread with butter-substitute and cover each with grated cheese. Beat the whites of eggs, put about 5 teaspoonfuls on each slice; drop a yolk in the center, and set in the oven to brown.



Savory Egg Balls



Baked Eggs on Toast

EGGS LOUISIANA

Dilute 1 can of tomato soup with half as much water, pour into a baking-dish and stir in I cupful bread crumbs. Drop whole eggs into this, cover with greased crumbs and bake.

If green peppers are on the market, use them; if not, the canned pimiento will do. Cut the end from the green peppers and remove every particle of seed and inner white portion. Lay them in a pan of hot, salted water for 10 minutes. Drain and break learn into each preser springle. and break I egg into each pepper, sprinkle with salt and pepper, cover with greased crumbs and set in a baking-dish. Pour a cupful of water around them and bake until the eggs are set.

CREOLE EGGS

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Hard cook 6 eggs as in the above recipe. Slice and pour over them a tomato sauce made of 2 tablespoonfuls flour, 2 of butter-substitute and 1 pint of strained tomato. Season with parsley, salt and pepper. A plain cream sauce may be substituted for the tomato sauce.

Heat I pint of rich and highly seasoned stock or beef bouillon. Add I table-spoonful granulated gelatine dissolved in a little cold water. Pour 2 tablespoonfuls of this liquid into a greased ramekin, drop in an egg and fill up gently with more of the soup. Set in a pan of hot water until the egg is poached, then remove the ramekins to a cool place to harden. This may be served on a lettuce leaf with mayonnaise as a salad, or as the first course for luncheon.

ST. FRANCIS OMELET

Make a white sauce of 1 tablespoonind of butter-substitute, the same of flour,
and I cupful of milk. For each egg used
add 1 tablespoonful of the sauce. Beat
until well blended; season with salt, pepper, paprika, a saltspoonful each of
ground cloves, allspice, sage, sweet marjoram and thyme. Turn into a greased
baking-dish and keep in a moderate oven
until set. Serve on a platter garnished until set. Serve on a platter garnished with green peas in butter sauce.

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#### Sunday Night Buffet Suppers

By Lilian M. Gunn

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THE Sunday night supper is a most in-formal affair, and whether a woman keeps a maid or not that is the one time when she likes to do her own

Much may be done in advance; the cake may be baked, the meat cooked ready to slice, the ingredients for the salad in the ice box and the dressing made, a dessert may be made the day before, or simple cookies may be baked. Sunday night is the time when a guest may drop in unexpectedly and one should always plan a dish which could serve more than "just the family."

A main dish with some kind of bread (generally hot), jelly, pickles or conserve, may comprise the first course; some dessert with cakes, cookies, or wafers is sufficient to serve for the second. If you have a chafing dish, now is the time to use it. Do not try to lay separate covers for your guests, but place the plates, forks, spoons and napkins conveniently on the table, and so make the meal informal. The dessert may be placed on the serving table or sideboard. Much may be done in advance; the cake

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Fresh Fruit Compote Rice Wafers

Cold Sliced Meat Grape Jelly Cucumber Salad

Hot Corn Muffins accolate Layer Cake Coffee

Raspberry Gelatine Marshmallow Sauce Nut Cakes Tea with Lemon

Nut and Cottage Cheese Salad Toasted Saltines Mustard Pickles Rhubarb Shortcake Tea

PRENCH CHOCOLATE

Pour 1 pint boiling water over 4 tablets of sweet chocolate, cook slowly ½ hour. Add 1 pint scalded milk, and cook 15 minutes. Add 1 teaspoonful arrowroot starch mixed with ¼ cupful cold water, and cook 10 minutes. Add 1 teaspoonful vanilla just before serving. The arrowroot may be omitted.

FRENCH CINNAMON TOAST 1 tablespoonful sugar 1/2 teaspoonful salt 6 slices of Victory Bread 2 eggs 1 cupful of milk 14 teaspoonful cinna-mon

Beat the eggs a little, add salt, sugar and milk. Dip the toast in the mixture, drain, sprinkle with a little cinnamon; fry in a hot pan until a delicate brown. Serve

D in t of shrimps, canned or fresh juice tablespoonful fat tablespoonful salt Little cayenne tablespoonful salt Yolks of 2 eggs

Clean the shrimp, and cook in half the fat for 2 minutes; add seasoning and lemon; cook 2 minutes longer. Remove shrimps and make a white sauce of the remaining fat, flour, and milk; when thick-

ened add yolks of eggs, slightly beaten, stir-ring in quickly and cooking 2 minutes; add the shrimps.

RHUBARB SHORTCAKE

2/3 cupfuls flour
/3 cupful potato flour
/3 cupful milk
/3 cupful milk
/4 caspoonful salt
teaspoonfuls sugar

yowder

34 cupful milk
/4 teaspoonful salt
teaspoonfuls bakingpowder

Mix and sift dry ingredients; cut in fat; add milk; roll out on floured board and cut into biscuit about one inch thick. Bake in hot oven. Split and cover lower part with stewed rhubarb, place upper part on top with crust side down, cover with rhubarb. This makes individual serving. The cake may be baked in one round piece, split and filled with rhubarb.

3 cupfuls cold cooked chicken cut in dice, or 1 one-pound can of chicken cut fine.

2½ cupfuls milk.
5 tablespoonfuls flour
1 pimiento cut in tiny
pieces
½ teaspoonful pepper

5 tablespoonfuls fat 1 teaspoonful salt ½ teaspoonful celery salt

Scald milk. Melt fat, add flour and seasoning and milk slowly. When thick, add chicken, and cook long enough to heat the chicken. Add pimiento last; serve at once.

MARSHMALLOW SAUCE

4 pound marshmallows 1/2 teaspoonful vanilla 1 cupful powdered sugar 3/4 cupful boiling water

mallows in top of double boiler. Stir sugar into boiling water until dis-solved; add slow-ly to melted marshmallows and stir until thoroughly blended.
Chill. Add vanilla.
For variety, 1/4
cupful chopped pecan nuts or 6 minced candied cherries or 2 ta-blespoonfuls of finely chopped cit-ron may be added. This is a good substitute for cream (see page 41).



Photograph by Hal Ellsworth Coates

#### with Cheese New Ways

By Sarah Haviland

Approved by the United States Food Administration

THE careful housewife would often feel less defeat over the size of her meat bill if she could utilize more cheese, for this is an excellent sub-stitute for meat and an increasingly popu-

Cheese is richer in protein than meat, and far richer in fat; experiments have shown that cheese in proper quantities is digestible, healthful and sustaining. A meal consisting of bread, cheese, and fruit is a well-balanced and nutritious one.

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The housewife must remember that most prepared cheese dishes contain more fat than meat dishes prepared in the usual way; also, that as cheese, like meat, contains neither starch nor cellulose, it should be combined with bread, potatoes, and other starchy foods. The concentrated character of cheese suggests the use with it of fruits and vegetables; and the soft textures of many of its dishes demands that they be served with crusty breads and crisp. they be served with crusty breads and crisp

BOSTON ROAST

Mix one-pound can of kidney-beans, or equivalent quantity of cooked beans, 1/2 pound of grated cheese, bread-crumbs, and salt. Put the beans through meat-grinder. Add cheese and sufficient bread-crumbs to form a roll. Bake in a moderate oven, basting with butter-substitute and water.

NUT AND CHEESE ROAST

To 1 cupful of grated cheese, 1 cupful of chopped English walnuts and 1 cupful of bread-crumbs, add 2 tablespoonfuls of chopped onions that have been cooked tender in a little water, a tablespoonful of butter-substitute, juice of ½ lemon, salt and pepper. Moisten ingredients with onionwater, and a well-beaten egg; pour into shallow baking-dish and brown in oven.

BAKED RICE AND CHEESE

To 3 cupfuls of rice that has been cooked in milk, add 1 cupful milk, 2 table-spoonfuls flour, ½ pound of grated cheese, and ½ teaspoonful salt. Make a sauce of the milk, flour, cheese and salt. Into a greased baking-dish put alternate layers of rice and sauce. Cover with greased bread-crumbs and bake until brown.

CHEESE POTATO PUFF

Beat together 1 cupful of mashed potatoes and 1/4 cupful of milk. Add 1 egg,



Stuffed Celery

½ cupful grated cheese. Beat thoroughly; bake in a slow oven 10 or 15 minutes.

STUFFED CELERY

Clean and dry one bunch of celery. Season a cream cheese; if necessary, add a little milk to soften. Fill the stalks of celery with the cheese, dot in pieces of wal-nuts or pecans, sprinkle with paprika.

PIMIENTO CHEESE ROAST

Put through meat-grinder 2 cupfuls of cooked lima beans, ¼ pound cheese, and 3 canned pimientos. Season with salt and paprika; form into roll with fine bread-crumbs, and bake in a slow oven.

CHEESE BETTY

Grease and dice slices of stale bread. Put a layer of this diced bread on the bottom of a baking-dish. Cover with a layer of chopped or grated cheese, alternating until the dish is full, the last layer to be cheese. Scald 1 pint of milk so that it will not curdle, and add it to 2 well-beaten eggs. Season with ½ teaspoonful salt, ¼ teaspoonful mustard, and a dash of paprika. The milk should be allowed to cool before pouring over the eggs. This can be prepared some hours before it is needed, and then half an hour before eaten put in moderate oven and baked until the cus-

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## Plain Man or Poet

[Continued from page 14]

same table in the deep bay-window. He almost felt as if she were really there, opposite him, with the sun on her bright hair, outlining the curves of her slender neck

He would not return till evening; that would give her time to finish her picture. How she could paint, that girl of his! He glowed with pride at her attainment.

WHEN he faced Rhoda across her aunt's W dinner-table, he saw at once that she had made some strange, sudden decision. She avoided his glance, and set her mouth

As they left the table, he flew to her . She regarded him as if from a dis-

side. She regarded him as if from a distance, and asked him, in a whisper, if she might speak to him in the garden. She led the way with the air of a tragedy queen. She stopped under the fragrant honeysuckle of the pergola, and lifted steady eyes to Clive's. "We're making a mistake, Clive," she began abruptly. "It won't do. We're not suited to each other. We—we were—attracted to each other, merely; like any couple of youngsters."

were—attracted to each other, merely; like any couple of youngsters."

She paused a moment, then, as he did not speak. "Why, we haven't a thing in common. Not a thing. We're not even congenial. We don't like the same people; we're not interested in the same things. We'd end by boring each other." There was a little catch in her throat; she mastered it and threw up her head proudly. "And I couldn't bear that. I've always held, no matter how much they love each other, two people ought to remain interesting to each other—ough to find each other's society entertaining—stimulating."

Clive stumbled into speech. "But life's not all entertainment, Rhoda."

She hurried on, unheedingly. "We can't

not all entertainment, Rhoda."
She hurried on, unheedingly. "We can't even read the same books, sympathetically. We can't exchange ideas—"
Clive broke compellingly into her excited speech. "But marriage isn't made up of reading books together, Rhoda. Marriage is more even than intellectual companionship. Something deeper, more fundamental. There's love. Don't you love me, Rhoda? Don't you want to be—mine?"

Rhoda turned away and clasped her

Clive's voice deepened, thrillingly. "You don't have to marry a man to talk art with him, Rhoda. You can talk art to any one on earth who's interested in it. You can read your verses with any high-brow you meet at an afternoon tea. But you have to live with your husband!"

Rhoda's averted cheek flushed, but she shook her head sadly. Clive swept on.

"Do you think you could—love one of your artists, Rhoda? Do you imagine you could give him—what you've given me? Can't you be content to love me, and talk with all the rest?"

Though he could see her eyes fill, Clive knew he had not convinced her. In a trembling voice, she told him she could not bear any more. In another minute, she had slipped away, and he was alone. Clive's voice deepened, thrillingly. "You

bear any more. In another minute, she had slipped away, and he was alone.

He stood staring at the spot where he had last glimpsed her white figure, his jaw setting decisively. Then, with the terrible resolution of the mild man who is suddenly mild no longer, he stalked blindly through the beauties of the twilight garden into the house. into the house

He went straight to Aunt Sarah, and told her he was leaving. Aunt Sarah looked up smiling. She had weathered storms caused by "Rhoda's heroics" before. She informed him that there was no train that

night.

"You know there never is a train 'that night,' Clive. Not in the third act. Hadn't you better wait till the fourth?"

She looked up, surprised at his silence. "Oh, come now, Clive! Don't look like that, my boy." She put a sympathetic hand on his arm. "You'll have to wait till morning. Night brings counse!."

Clive pulled away and swung to the

Clive pulled away and swung to the desk with its time-tables. "That may be," he replied, grimly. "But I make my exit sight been." right here

the child's not Can't you wait

"No use, Aunt Sarah. I'm through. The only trouble is I've waited too long. And I should have played my own game. I played hers, and lost. There's a nine o'clock from the Centre. I can get a taxi and pack."

He would have to be content with

He would have to be content with a carriage, it developed; every taxi had been engaged for the dance at the casino. Clive remembered that he had been slated to attend Rhoda at that dance. Well, she'd

not lack cavaliers.

The man assured him he'd have a good pair of horses. He could easily make the Centre in an hour. Clive groaned.

"See that you're in time," he growled. He stamped up to pack.

Meanwhile a couple passed along the

He stamped up to pack.

Meanwhile, a couple passed along the grassy path that skirted the cliff's perilous verge. The girl was fairly-slight, elusive, provocative; and her floating laces—modishly short—disclosed a dancer's foot in the Frenchiest of slippers. Her rippling hair was silvered by the moonlight, but one could well imagine how it would catch and hold the sunbeams. Her whole figure was instinct with life and spirit and anticipation.

Her cavalier, exquisitely white-shod and white-flanneled, seemed chivalry and adoration personified. He talked a good deal, fluently, with graceful, poetic gestures. Talking in verse, no doubt. Quoting ardent lines from all the bards that ever sang Here was the ideal suitor of whom al women dream—the fabled Perfect Lover.

The crisis came just before one leaves the cliff-walk for the road, in the screen of a big, white-starred syringa bush, decked like a bride. The little lady inclined her head, leaned yieldingly toward her exquisite cavalier, and he, not one whit behind his cue, held out his arms. Against the dark

cue, held out his arms. Against the dark bush, their white figures merged.

But only for a second. The willing maid became suddenly an unwilling maid— an affronted and disillusioned maid. She tore herself from the arms of her exquisite cavalier. She trembled with some sudden, terrible resultsion, with amazement horror terrible revulsion, with amazement, horror

and dismay.

She put her hands to her face.

She put her hands to her face. cavalier, picking up heart, made a slight movement toward her, but she checked him with an imperious gesture. He stiffened

resentfully, then; and, gathering the torn remnants of his dignity, appeared to be taking her sternly to task.

At once, she threw up her head defiantly, and spoke shortly and to the point. Then, her poise quite recovered, she seized her shipmery satin cloak from his lax her shimmery satin cloak from his lax grasp, and gave him his dismissal. "Let me never look on you again!" said every flounce of her muslins.

It was a very much meeker maid that, once out of sight of the cliff-walk, broke into a hunted, faltering little run. She slipped through the garden, intent on escaping unseen into the house.

escaping unseen into the house.

Coming onto the highway behind the house, she stood stock-still. Sheltered by the hedge stood Davy Kerrigan's depot carriage. Old Davy and Clive Warrener were hastily strapping Clive's trunk on in back.

As she started, her hand at her heart, Clive strode back to the house. She could hear him taking laws of Aust Sarah

hear him taking leave of Aunt Sarah.

Must she let him go? Something told her that, once gone like this, Clive was not a man to be easily brought back. Useless to accost him imploringly now, however, in this recod. in this mood.

in this mood.

Before Clive could turn from his hostess, Rhoda was on the further side of the decrepit carriage, tugging at the door.

"Let me in, Davy," she begged. "I'm going, too, as a surprise."

The old man, familiar with her from childhood, grinned and winked. "And a very pleasant surprise, Miss, I'll be bound."

Rhoda, her cheeks burning, leaned from the open window. "The minute he gets in, Davy, start the horses. Don't stop, no

Rhoda, her cheeks burning, leaned from the open window. "The minute he gets in, Davy, start the horses. Don't stop, no matter what he says. You see—he may not—want me to go—just at first. He may even take it into his head—to get out!" "Oho!" returned Davy, who was far from slow in the uptake. He scrambled obligingly to his seat. "In that case, I'll have the reins in me fist, and the whip handy. Once started, 'twill mean a matter of broken bones to be getting out!"

nandy. Once started, twill mean a matter of broken bones to be getting out!"

So that, when Clive rushed down the path with a hasty: "You'll have to put the whip on them!" and jumped into the dark carriage—the moon, as if a party to the plot, just at the moment drew a cloud over him sharply enough to rattle every window, the horses leaped forward. And Clive, thrown suddenly off his balance, fell to the seat, with an angry exclamation. He perceived that he was not alone.

In an instant, he was on his feet, ham-mering on the front window. "Hey! Hold up a minute! Hold up, I say!"

The carriage plunged on, taking the corner at a dangerous rate. Clive grasped [Continued on page 43]



## Announcement Luncheons

By Elizabeth Mann

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THE very nature of the exciting news gives interest and enthusiasm to an announcement party. Military luncheons are most appropriate for these times. The illustration shows a table these times. The illustration shows a table set for six guests, with a "soldiers' tent" as the centerpiece. One end of each red, white, and blue ribbon hidden within the tent is attached to the calling cards of the guest of honor and her fiancé. The other end ties a place-card to the little flag-stick. A tent may be made with sticks and heavy white cotton cloth.

Since we are anxious to save the butter fat in cream, it is, generally speaking, wrong to use cream as suggested in some of the recipes. Cream has been left in the recipes so that it may be used in the country or in any town where cream is plentiful and cannot be used otherwise than as cream.

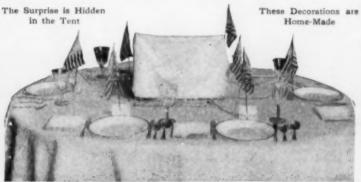
than as cream.

The following menu is especially ap-propriate for the military party:

the membrane, 5 white grapes cut in halves, 1 teaspoonful of chopped mint, 1 teaspoonful of lemon juice, and 1 tea-spoonful of powdered sugar. Mix and chill thoroughly. Serve in glasses, and garnish each serving with a sprig of mint.

2 cupfuls flaked haddie 4 hard-cooked eggs 4 tablespoonfuls but-ter-substitute 6 tablespoonfuls flour 2 cupful sult 4 taspoonful pepper 4 cupful dry bread crumbs, sifted

The finnan haddie may be served with the binder had been any be served with the border of duchess potato in large scal-lop shells. These can be purchased at any fish market, and are always a useful addition to the housekeeper's equipment. Place the finnan haddle, about 3 pounds, in a pan of cold water, bring slowly to the boiling point, simmer very gently for 20 minutes. Free the fish from the bones and skin. Slice hard-cooked eggs into 1/8-



Photograph by Hal Ellsworth Coates

Tomato Soup Victory Bread Sticks
Chicken Mousae
Margus Tips
Ice Cream Bride's Cake
Coffee Salted Pecana Asparagus Tips Ice Cream Coffee

The chicken mousse can be made an especially attractive dish by serving the mold on lettuce with the asparagus tips well marinated; the dish is prettier if garnished with pimiento.

1 tablespoonful granu-lated gelatine
54 cupful cold water
55 cupful hot chicken stock
2 cupfuls chopped cold chicken chicken chicken stock

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Soak the gelatine in the water, dissolve it in the hot stock, add the seasonings. Chop the chicken meat very fine mix it well with the gelatine, stock and seasonings. Fold in the cream, beaten stiff, and turn the mixture into a mold which has been rinsed in cold water.

cold water. The ice cream should served in red, white,

be served in red, white, and blue paper cups.

For the gills who aren't to marry soldiers, other equally attractive plans can be made. Following the old saw, the guests may literally "Let the cat out of the bag." A paper bag at each place does not betray any suspicion of the secret within. Small pasteboard cats can be easily made

cats can be easily made and painted black, "maltese" or yellow. The yellow ribbon, which ties on the cards, completes the cat. The bags must be blown up after the cats have been placed in them, and then tied tightly with yellow ribbons. With a contemiera With rellow daisies, plates of corn bread, yel-ow fruit cocktails, and salted almonds. the table will look very festive.

Mint Fruit Cocktaîl Creamed Finnan Haddie Duchem Potato Border Frozen Salad Rolle Salted Almonds Co Butter Beans Rolled Wafers Coffee

For each cocktail serving, prepare half an orange by cutting the pulp free from

inch slices. Make a white sauce of the butter-substitute, flour, milk and season-ings; combine with the fish and eggs. Place in shells, sprinkle with crumbs, add potato border, and brown in oven. Any creamed fish can be used this way.

FROZEN SALAD

1 cupful mayonnaise dressing 1 cupful fresh shredded pineapple tablespoonfuls powdered sugar 1 small bottle maraschino cherries

Sprinkle shredded pineapple with sugar, chill for 1 hour, cut cherries into small pieces. Beat cream until stiff. Mash cheese, and gradually add enough of beaten cream to make smooth mixture. Drain all juice from fruit, and fold lightly corether mayonaise, cheese remaining Orain all juice from fruit, and fold lightly ogether mayonnaise, cheese, remaining fruit and cream. Place in a mold, cover with greased paper, fit on the cover and pack in ice and salt (two parts ice to one part salt) for 3 hours. Serve on lettuce.

Pink roses a l w a y a seem an especially appeared to the salt of th

seem an especially ap-propriate flower to use as a centerpiece at an as a centerpiece at an announcement party. Small old-fashion ed boxes, copies of flowered hat-boxes, may be placed for each guest, the tag on the box forming the place-card. A small quaint bouquet made of tiny pink and white flowers and forget-menots, with a stiff, old-fashioned paper ruffle, is tucked into each box with taining the thrilling news.

an envelope containing the thrilling news. The menu emphasizes the pink scheme.

Strawberries
Crab Meat with Mushroom Sauce
Toast Points
Buttered Peas
Hot Cornmeal Rolls
Lettuce Salad
Pimiento Cheese Dressing
Ice Cream (in heart-shaped molts)
Pink Angel-Cake
Coffee

For the first course, arrange five or seven large strawberries with the hulls left on about a mound of powdered sugar.

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teaspoons salt % cup sugar
cups boiling water 1 cake yeast
cup lukewarm water 6 cups flour

Mix together Quaker Oats, sait and sugar. Four over two cups of boiling water, let stand until luke-varm. Then add yeast which has been dissolved in % cup lukewarm water, then add 5 cups of flour.

Kñead slightly, set in a warm place, let rise until light (about 2 hours). Knead thoroughly, form into two loaves and put in pans. Let rise again and bake about 50 minutes. If dry yeast is used, a sponge should be made at night with the liquid, the yeast, and a part of the white flour.

This recipe makes two loaves.

#### Quaker Oats Sweetbits

#### Quaker Oats Muffins

55 cup Quaker Oats, 1% cups flour, 1 cup scalded milk, 1 egg, 4 level teaspoons baking powder, 2 tablespoons melted butter, by teaspoons sait, 2 tablespoons sugar. Turn scalded milk on Quaker Oats, let stand five minutes; add sugar, salt and melted butter; sift in flour and baking powder, mix thoroughly and sadd egg well beaten. Bake in buttered gem pans.

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#### Plain Man or Poet

the front handle, but, before he could turn it, a hand tugged strongly at his coat. "Clive! Listen a minute!" He wheeled, and glared at his unwel-

companion

come companion.

"He won't stop, Clive. I told him not to. But—" She opened the door at her side, suggestively—"I'll get out, if you insist. It's your carriage."

Clive glared as severely as ever, but there was a little quirk at the corner of his mouth. Unexpectedness! That was Rhoda.

Rhoda.

"You might as well listen to what I've got to say," she continued calmly. "You'll be in time for your train."

His voice was cold. "I can't imagine your having anything further to say to me." "Oh!" she gasped. "How begin? How confess what she had to confess?"

"Well?" Clive's profile was stern as a judge's. If he only wouldn't look like that. How could he look like that!

Rhoda put her hand timidly on his arm. She took a breath and fluttered into speech. "Clive!" Her voice was like a desperately lonely child's. "I—I've made a mistake."

take."

The corner of his lip lifted sardonically.
"What—again? I'm afraid it's getting to
be a habit with you, Rhoda. You can't expect me to suffer for your mistakes."

Rhoda drew another shuddering breath.
She tightened her hold on his unresponsive
arm. "If we make a mistake—now, Clive—
either of us, we may have to suffer for it
—all our lives long." Her voice deepened; it was more a mature woman's voice than

—ani our lives long. Ther voice deepened; it was more a mature woman's voice than before. "Don't—don't let us make that mistake! Clive! Look at me. Please!"

He turned his eyes full upon her, wonderingly. She could see her plea had reached him, but how far off she was still four her old provide clitted his heart!

reached him, but how har off she was suffrom her old proud citadel, his heart!

Their eyes clung; his, still challenging, distrustful; hers, imploring, disdaining all reserve. She was all his. Couldn't

ing all reserve. She was all his. Couldn't he see it?

When he turned away, his face and manner had softened indefinably. "And those other—mistakes, Rhoda, that you've been making all summer? We're uncongenial as ever, aren't we? Or doesn't that matter any longer?"

"It does not matter—not in the way I thought it did!" she faltered. "You explained it, better than ever I could, tonight, in the garden. But I was a blind little fool. She turned away, and pressed her hands to her burning cheeks. "I understand now."

Still he did not help her; just sat there, like a justice on his bench. "What is it you've come to understand?" he asked with a complete air of detachment.

"You said—marriage was more than

"You said—marriage was more than exchanging ideas—more than intellectual companionship. Deeper—more fundamental." She stopped a moment, then such as

exchanging ideas—more than intellectual companionship. Deeper—more fundamental." She stopped a moment, then rushed on, breathlessly. "You said I could read verses with any one I might meet at an afternoon tea. But"—her voice fell to a tortured whisper—"I'd—I'd have to live with my husband. And, Clive—I know it now; there's nobody on earth I want to live with—but you!"

"What's made you change your mind?"
She went to meet the challenge bravely.
"I found I never could love any one but you—not in the same way; though I imagined, for just a bit, I could. That was vanity, I guess, and—intellectual moonshine. Love is different. It goes to the roots of things." She spoke slowly, groppingly. "It's—primitive. Verses and music and things don't count. You have to love a man for the tone of his voice, the sound of his step, the touch of his hands, the way his hair sweeps back from his forehead, even the creases in the sleeve of his coat." Half-consciously, she brushed his arm with her flying hair, with the old familiar, caressing gesture. "And those are the ways I love you, Clive—all those ways, and more. More ways than I can understand, or could explain, if I understood them. And I did hope that those were the ways you loved me." She leaned forward again, her eyes bright with unshed tears. "Was I wrong, Clive? Or was that really the way you did love me?" wrong, Clive? Or was that really the way you did love me?"

She held her breath a

watching his unresponsive face. Slowly, Clive's old, whimsical, lover-like smile began to dawn, like sunlight breaking over a bleak, heartrendingly gloomy landscape. When he looked down at her, however, it

was frowningly, as if tempted to give her a good, sound shaking.

He spoke almost roughly. "I guess you know I love you, you witch, in all the ways there ever were!" there ever were!

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## and Miss

of his "lost-man" trips and they wouldn't let her wait! Well, she would go back to Bonnicrest and take her punishment, but never to Madame Piquot's!

It was nearing dusk before the team halted. San Lo stole out to tug the bundles from behind. Laurie took her bag from the driver's seat and tossed him a bill carelessly. She ran to the door and lifted the brass knocker.

Kirby opened it. At first he looked down at her as one does at a shadow crossing his way unexpectedly. Then he reached out his arms and drew her inside. "Laurie," he said. Only that.

"Martin, I'm sorry. I don't want to be a little girl," she faltered, tears coming into the gray eyes. "I've run away from school—I—think I grew up right after you kissed me. I came to ask you to forgive me. Once, I asked you to marry me and you said yes—but things happened."

He took off her coat and rubbed her hands. "Yes, yes, Laurie, I remember."

"I want to prove to you that I'm sure of myself. It is what we Grundy folks must do in fairness to you others—isn't it?" She laid her cheek on his shoulder. "I love you, Martin."

"Where is your mother?" he asked. "I don't know where she is—Westland City, I suppose." Laurie's head still rested on his shoulder. "I didn't tell her that I ran away to you—don't you understand?" "Laurie," he shook her in horrified wonder, "you mustn't stay here—you foolish little kiddie."

"I will stay until you forgive me. You can't turn me out in the night." He stepped

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"I will stay until you forgive me. You can't turn me out in the night." He stepped to the door. "My car, San Lo," he called. He clapped the saucy coat around her with a proud, possessive air. "We are going to drive like the wind in to Calgary—and be married."

She put up her hands to her throat. "Martin! Right—right away married?"

The big, strong man came toward her and crushed her in his arms. "Right—right away married, Laurie."

"And then?" Frightened lips met his.

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'We'll wire Bonnicrest and we'll-come

The gray eyes were dark with timid, trustful wondering. "Right—right away married?" she repeated.
"As fast as the service can be read."
The car puffed off, with them, into the night.

MARY was forty years and two days old. Grundy was gloating over the fact when the message came. He went to the door himself when the

hall-boy brought up the telegram.

'Come at once-important. Have met the man who invented screen doors.

Mary Jessup Ganson."

The packing of one's bag and spending of more precious money on a railway ticket was the least part of the anxiety. It was the "man who invented screen doors" that made Grundy's head whirl until every mile of the trip westward seemed stretched into great, uncountable lengths. Now that she had received "Aunt Pensey's Legacy," was she going to invest in some foolish, impossible patent instead of continuing with the works?

"The man who invented screen doors"
—the words followed him into his sleeper and the breakfast diner and into the small western station. It blurred out the remembrance of the day he left Westland City. He took the rickety fly and settled back in it with curbed impatience.

Bonnicrest! Grundy gasped. A box hedge surrounded the velvety grounds, a modern concerts grange was built beside

modern concrete garage was built beside the rambling stable, the house had been repainted a soft, warm red, and sturdy oak

repainted a soft, warm red, and sturdy oak trees shielded the front.

A confused, blushing Amelia ushered him in. It was dinner-time—he would wait?

Yes, he would wait. He tiptoed into the drawing-room, a room so attractive with its rosewood furniture and artistic appointment, that he started in amazement.

pointments that he stared in amazement.
"Grundy." She stood in the doorway,
her trailing gown of bronze silk making her seem like a charming pastel suddenly quickened. "I—I came," he announced lamely—

"I—I came," ne announced manery—
"Right away—you see. I hope I'm not ahead of time."

She shook her head, the blue eyes laughing at him. "Not a minute too soon.

Dean—I'm forty."

"Congratulations," he rejoined clumsily.
"Forty—and I've met the man who

"Forty—and I've met the man who invented screen doors."

"If it's some darn crank who wants your money—" began Grundy. "Inventor, you mean." She tilted her head back characteristically.

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"Well, manufacturer or whatever he is —who cares about screen doors? Let me look into the thing for you, Mary—"

"Dean, you tried to hide your secret, didn't you? But screen doors don't hide, dear. Who but a Mr. Grundy would have done such a splendid, impulsive—silly thing?" She came close, her hands stealing up to his coat shoulders. And I saw through your door, even if you tried to make it an oak-paneled thing shielding your sublime self-sacrifice!"

Grundy's hands reached up to take hold of hers. "You know?"

"Of course. It was a screen door—don't you see? And I love you for it."

"Then you've discovered—my trifle."

"Mr. Grundys can't manage such secrets because they are entirely too lavish—a million dollars was too much. Because, you see, Aunt Pensey's teapot, bless her heart, was

Aunt Pensey's teapot, bless her heart, was literally stuffed with gold certificates!" She drew away to find a letter for him to read.

Grundy moved under the drop-light

"Drar Mary:

You will either have divorced Grundy or grown devoted to him by the time this birthday comes. If you have divorced him, the business will probably have failed; no woman can ever quite trust her manager. If you are devoted to him, he will have developed into the laddie he can be and will have developed into the laddie he can be and will make of the works something to be proud of. Worldly goods cannot go with us when we leave, but we can have the pleasure of choosing our ways of disposing of them. This is mine. If you love Grundy and the business flourishes, make of it a still greater business, for there will be many changes and improvements that I cannot foresee. If you are divorced, sell the business and live on your income. In either case, I shall know that your future is provided for. And no matter what conges, Mary, don't let Laurie think unkindly of her father, For he loved her—after the fashion of Mr. Grundy.

Your devoted aunt,

Your devoted aunt, PENSEY JESSUP."

He kept looking at it, at the small characters he had so cleverly imitated.

"Mr. Sangster didn't tell me who, Grundy, he merely squirmed uncomfortably and prepared to get at you as soon as my back was turned. It was Amelia."

"Amelia?"

"Jamie Shepherd had been to see her.

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"Jamie Shepherd had been to see her.
He told her you had suddenly lost every
dollar in the world and were about to sell
your things. Then—then I saw through
the screen door—and I wired."
She waited for him to speak. But he
hesitated shy and unsure.

"Dean—the task was well done. May I come back to you?"

He waited, afraid to believe. She laid

He waited, afraid to believe. She laid her hand on his cheek.

"Kiss me, Dean," she said brokenly.

"It's make all of Aunt Pensey's possibilities into truths."

Solemnly, he bent his ruffled head until it mingled with the sunshine hair.

"A telly-gram," said Amelia abruptly, staring at Grundy with round, wise eyes.

"Another screen-door gentleman."

"Another screen-door gentleman,"
Grundy suggested, laughing as his wife
tore it open.
"It's a day-letter from Calgary; and
I'm so glad—she stood the test—"
Grundy snatched the paper from her
hand.

"Married Martin and am very happy. Am wir-forgiveness. Will be east for Christmas to ask forgiveness. Will take Slightly Soiled back with me. Laurie Kirby."

"They are married!" Grundy sank limply into a chair. "I've had enough novelty to last me for the next ten reincarnations. I'll go back into the wagon works as a positive plodder. Well," he went on, "we can't grudge any one happiness like that, can we?"
"Why, Grundy, I planned to have this end just so."
"You planned this—this runaway marriage?"

riage?"

She nodded. "Oh, not exactly like this—it was a trifle more unusual than I had fancied, like some one I know attempting to give a million dollars instead of something reasonable. But I knew I would strike the depths if I sent her to school.

And I wanted forgive me dear—but I

strike the depths if I sent her to school.

And I wanted—forgive me, dear—but I wanted to have Laurie be quite sure."

Grundy smiled his answer. "We'll send them a gondola just like mine," he proceeded brightly, "with crimson-cut velvet cushions. That'll tone up the place."

Mary caught her underlip, undecided whether to laugh or frown. "Oh—oh, my old Grundy," she sighed.

[Trix Eno]

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scenes.

War fashions are ever a part of History, and we may well be proud of ours. There is nothing unpatriotic about them, for in all their bewitching daintiness, they are doing much to cheer us.

Woolen fabrics are being used, oh, so carefully. Even the Spring coat is most particular about the pocket and cuff, in many instances they have been voted unnecessary. Foulards and silks and satins have taken the place of the serge dress, and sports suits flourish on every side. Separate skirts, of the tub variety, are appearing, and of course the popular sleeveless overblouse is playing its part.

Dainty organdie dresses, with skirts slightly fuller than the voile dresses, have wide tucks and narrow tucks, tunics and fichus. Embroidery is seen on many of the afternoon dresses. Embroidered voiles and Georgette crèpes make fascinating dresses for the warm evenings soon to come, and so the tunics with straight lower edges are most practical for bordered materials and flouncings.

It is perfectly surprising the small amount of material necessary for one of these bewitching little frocks. The fact is that skirts are really narrow this year, without appearing so, or being uncomfortable. Three-quarter and elbow sleeves are favorites, as well 2.5 the long tight-fitted sleeve with its trimly finished lower edge sans cuff. Collars are high, or low, or medium \* \* \* as you please. The Buster Brown or Eton collar is very smart on the morning dress or walking costume.

Figured materials are very popular; stripes, plaids and checks are



Sizes 32-44

## Some Especially Good Suggestions for the Tub Frock

One of the most interesting of the new fashions is that of the Eton jacket or overblouse. They are sleeveless and are made in various styles and of various materials. The one illustrated here in the circle is made of embroidery flouncing, the lower edge is straight, and there is an attractive sailor collar. In the circle on the opposite page is shown another development of this same design. There the overblouse is quite long, worn with a patent-leather belt. Deep rich tones of silk jersey, satin or cotton materials, as you prefer, are the most effective, with the collar of a contrasting material of the same. Really, it is surprising what a change is created by the addition of one of these overblouses. In remodeling last year's frocks they are proving a boon. Still another version is the slip-over blouse with its deep pockets that hold the ball of yarn and knitting needles. Very little material is required to make them. The Eton of embroidery flouncing takes 1½ yards of 16-inch, and the long overblouse requires 1½ yards of 40-inch satin, and ½ yard 27-inch for the collar. These measurements are given for size 36.

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45% yards of 40-inch figured, and 78 yard of 30-inch plain for collar and vest.

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No. 8307, Ladles' Two-Piece Tunic Skirt. Pattern in 6 sizes, 22 to 32 waist (20 cents).—Size 26 requires 3¼ yards of 40-inch. Width, lower edge, 1½ yards.

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Sizes 34-42

No. 8169, Ladies' Waist. Pattern in 6 sizes, 34 to 44 bust (20 cents).—Size 36 requires 1½ yards of 36-inch striped voile, and ½ yard of 36-inch plain white voile for the collar and cuffs. The back extends over the front at the shoulder to form a yoke. The little fulness at the shoulder is one of the becoming features of this waist. Note the odd strap arrangement on the collar.

No. 8067, LADIES' FOUR-PIECE SKIRT; high waistline, 39-inch length. Pattern in 7 sizes, 22 to 34 waist (20 cents). Size 26 requires 33/6 yards of 36-inch linen. Width, lower edge, 25/6 yards. The braiding on the belt and side straps is Transfer Design No. 307 (10 cents). This is a splendid model for the summer skirt.

No. 7913, Ladies' Dress; to be slipped on over the head; two-piece skirt, straight lower edge, in round or instep length. Pattern in 6 sizes, 34 to 44 bust (20 cents).—Size 36, instep length, requires 61/8 yards of 40-inch flowered voile, and 1/2 yard of 36-inch plain. Width, lower edge, 3 yards. The surplice waist is one of the most popular of the season's modes.



Skirt 8067 Sizes 22-34

appropriate for street wear. The three-quar-ter sleeve is fast coming into great favor.

## When Warm Days Turn Our Thoughts to Summer Sports

No. 8319, Ladies' Sports Blouse; with adjustable sleeves or in regulation style. Pattern in 6 sizes, 34 to 44 bust (20 cents).—Size 36 requires 2½ yards of 32-inch white linen, and 5½ yard of 36-inch dark green linen for the bias collar and cuff facing. The collar is lined with white and turns over to form the small shawl collar. The lower part of the sleeve snaps up under the tuck.

No. 8315, Ladies' Three-Piece Tunic Skirt; underskirt with front and sides in one; straight lower edge; foundation back, high waistline, 39-inch length. Pattern in 6 sizes, 22 to 32 waist (20 cents).—Size 26 requires 3½ yards of 40-inch material. Width, lower edge, 1¾ yards. The applied fronts of the tunic turn up to form pockets. The foundation is set into the back.

No. 8303, Ladies' Waist, with or without bosom. Pattern in 7 sizes, 34 to 46 bust (20 cents).—Size 36 requires 1½ yards of 36-inch striped voile, and ½ yard of 36-inch white linen for the collar and cuff sections. Note the attractive way the stripes are used for the front of the waist. The epaulets on the shoulders are also made with the stripes running the other way.

Overblouse 8337 Sizes 34-44

Extremely smart, indeed, is her sleeveless overblouse of blue satin, and hat of the same material. The collar is of figured satin, just for contrast! The overblouse may be worn with any waist or costume desired and is excellent for sports wear. For descriptions, see opposite page.

high waistline, 39-inch length. Pattern in 7 sizes, 34 to 40 bust (20 cents).—Size 36 requires 45% yards of 40-inch linen, and 34 yard of 36-inch white for the collar and front of coat. Width, lower edge, 17% yards. No. 8297, Ladies' Raglan Coat; 40-inch length plain, or 33-inch length with or without trimming band. Pattern in 6 sizes, 34 to 44 bust (20 cents).—Size 36 requires, 40-inch length, 35½ yards of 48-inch material, 2½ yards 36-inch lining. This is a splendid model for the sports coat. The belt may be omitted if preferred.

Descriptions for page 47 No. 8331, Ladies' Coat Suir; two- or three-piece skirt;

No. 8336, Ladies' Empire Coat; 52- or 46-inch length; two styles of sleeve; straight skirt section. Pattern in 5 sizes, 34 to 42 bust (20 cents).—Size 36, 46-inch length, requires 3½ yards of 48-inch material for the coat, and ½ yard of 40-inch contrasting for the collar. This coat is suitable for silk, satin or pongee



No. 8333, LADIES' COAT; 28-inch length. Pattern in 7 sizes, 34 to 46 bust (20 cents).—Size 36 requires 3 yards of 40-inch material. The front and lower section of this coat are cut in one, and the pockets are set in at either side of the front. This coat can be very nicely developed in a combination of materials, for instance, silk and wool. The sleeve is a two-piece coat sleeve. As shown in the illustration, no trimming is required. Loose machinestitching along the edges makes a nice finish.

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Waist 8303

Sizes 34-46

Sizes 22-34

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No. 8305, LADIES' DRESS; side or No. 8305, Labies Dress; side or surplice closing, two-piece foun-dation lengthened by one-piece straight section, 39-inch length. Pattern in 6 sizes, 34 to 44 bust (20 cents).—Size 36 requires 3

yards of 36-inch plain, Width, lower edge, 1¼ yards. Transfer Design No. 856 for bag (15 cents). No. 8291, LADIES' OVERDRESS, with blouse;

kvo-piece tunic, two-piece foundation lengthened by straight section, instep length. Pattern in 6 sizes, 34 to 44 bust (20 cents).

—Size 36 requires 27% yards of 40-inch, and 1½ yards of 36-inch for blouse. Width, lower edge, 15% yards. Transfer Design No. 858 (15 cents). 858 (15 cents).

Sizes 34-44

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No. 8318, GIRLS' HATS. Pattern in 3 sizes, small, 4 to 6; medium, 8 to 10; and large, 12 to 14 years (15 cents).—Large size requires 7/4 yard of 27-inch linen.

No. 8334, GIRL'S DRESS; sleeveless overblouse; two styles of front; straight skirt, pleated or gathered, attached to underwaist. Pattern in 5 sizes, 6 to 14 years (20 cents).—Size 14 requires 1½ yards of 36-inch percale, and 3 yards of 40-inch for skirt, underwaist and pockets

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No. 5560, Boy's Shirt Blouse, with or without yoke, box-pleat or coat closing, attached or detachable collar. Pattern in 6 sizes, 4 to 14 years (10 cents).—Size 8 requires 2 yards 36 inches wide. A practical shirt for the boy's every-day wear. It is suitable for madras, percale, linen or poplin. For the boy who goes camping, this shirt can be made of brown or gray flannel.

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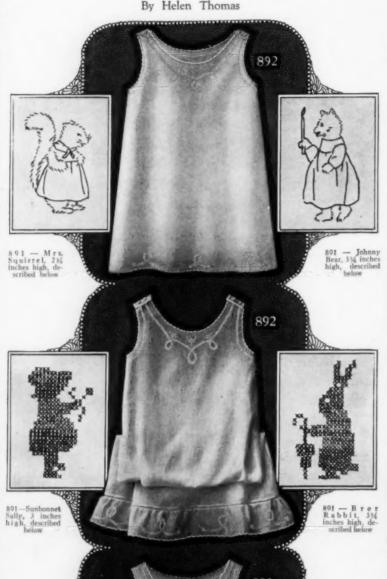
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But that would not do. She seemed to have summoned some tremendous resolution. She forced herself to her feet.

"I am so ashamed. You see—you startled me so. I'll tell you now, but first of all I want to give you—"

startled me so. I'll tell you now, but has of all I want to give you—"
She crossed the room to the mantelpiece to get it—a small box carefully tied. "She—she cared more for it than anything else she had. I never can tell you. I'm so glad I can give it right to you."

Craig took it without comment, and his eyes held hers. "You know—I can't help wanting to know some things."

It seemed to him that she caught her breath, but she answered at once. "Yes, I

breath, but she answered at once. "Yes know. I knew you would."

"Maybe I'd better just ask you?"

She nodded, her eyes unflinching. guess that would be the best way."

"You say she died two weeks ago?"

"Two weeks," she repeated.

"And you were with her?"

"And you were with her?"
"All the time."
"You mean all the time—when she was

"You mean all the time—when she was writing me?"
"No, I mean when she was sick. She had nobody, you know."
"Yes, I know." He scowled. "But—she wrote as if she lived out by the schoolhouse. I went there to look for her this afternoon. And the house was empty."
"I was afraid you might have—gone there. Oh, don't you understand?" Her shy voice filled with sudden passion. "She lived here in three rooms over a store as I

shy voice filled with sudden passion. "She lived here in three rooms over a store as I am living now. She never dreamed of seeing you really. She thought you were just a lonely boy over there, who never would come home; so she tried to make a dreamhome for you. She had always loved the old farmhouse. I think she wanted a home like that more than anything in the world—till she wanted things for you. We used to walk out there every Sunday. It grew more real to her than this. Oh, you must understand—you must!"

"I suppose no man could ever under-

"I suppose no man could ever understand." Craig said slowly. "I'm glad she had it. I felt such a useless hulk over there. There was a nurse that understood—the one that brought her first letter to me."

There was silence for a moment. When he lifted his eyes once more, he saw that she knew what was coming.

"I've got to ask somebody. It seems squarer to ask you than to inquire at the post-office. Will you tell me your name?"

The silence lasted till the room thrilled with it. She had not stirred, but the thin hands in her lap were gripped fiercely. When at last she spoke her voice was emotionless and dead.

"Yes, it's all a lie. I hoped you wouldn't ask, but I knew underneath that you would.

ask, but I knew underneath that you would. I am all the Jane Littlefield there is. I've lived here like this since I was eighteen. I

work in Eva Gates' millinery shop—I kept reading and reading about soldiers that hadn't anybody to write to them. I couldn't seem to get away from it. You see, I'd been lonely most of my life, so I knew. Only, being lonely over there—in all that awful fighting!— I knew nobody'd care for letters just from me; but I thought maybe some boy that didn't have a mother—I thought he'd be twenty-one, and I was old enough to be his mother—or almost. I'll be thirty-one next summer. I was so happy over it when he seemed to like the letters. I was so happy till the medal came. I can't tell you how that made me feel. All I could do was to send you the dearest thing I had—my mother's picture—"

happy over it when he seemed to like the letters. I was so happy till the medal came. I can't tell you how that made me feel. All I could do was to send you the dearest thing I had—my mother's picture—"

"Your mother's! What a thing to give." She answered as if she saw his thought. "I—you don't know how glad I was to. I knew she would so love to go. She was beautiful—my mother."

The voice which had kept so colorless was growing unsteady now: she was almost at the end of her strength. But she held herself together for the summing-up. "You see—it was all a lie—all the way through—everything. You had been facing death, and I sent you—a lie."

There was a soft thud in the room. An old ragged tortoise-shell cat had jumped down from a chair, and was stretching lazily. Craig laughed out in sudden relief. "Susy, by all that's feline! You didn't make her up."

A whimsical smile touched the corners of the pale lips; it was wonderful, the difference that it made in her.

"No," she said, with a catch in the voice she tried to keep steady. "Susy was the one true thing in it."

But Craig had his clue. He rose and stood looking down at her.

"I'm going now, because you're all played out. But before I go, there are two things to be said. In the first place, it wasn't all a lie. The letters weren't a lie. All the real part of them that made a fellow feel that there was somebody back home that cared that he hadn't flunked, and would keep a place and a welcome for him always, even if he had to go limping the rest of his life, was true. Do you suppose it was clapboards and shingles I cared about? Or all the woman-truck of rugs and curtains and things? Not much it wasn't! I didn't care a darn about things—I wanted folks, the way the other fellows had. And that's what I got, and you bet I'm not going to let 'em go. That's one thing. The other is that to-morrow you and I are going out to the old place. We've got two lifetimes to talk over—do you know it—Jane Littlefield? Yours and mine. And that's all for now."

She stood before him

### Synopsis for "The Zeppelin's Passenger"

ADY CRANSTON returns to her little English township to find everybody excited over the Zeppelin that had passed over the village the night before, leaving behind it an observation car and a man's hat, but no trace of any passengers. But Lady Cranston has a problem of her own. She had been to London on a fruitless hunt for information of her brother, a German captive, and must needs break the news to her brother's fiancée, Helen Fairclough, who is living with her. She and the girl are sadly wondering about him, when in through a window steps a ragged, muddy stranger. Both women hasten to call for help, but the man compels them to wait. He admits quite naively that he is a German—came by Zeppelin, in fact. ADY CRANSTON returns to her little that he is a German—came by Zeppelin, in fact. Lady Cranston has the telephone in her hand, ready to hand him over to the her hand, ready to hand him over to the authorities, when he saves himself by pre-senting letters from Dick, the lost brother and sweetheart. Lady Cranston is still being pulled between the force of her patriotism and this personal force, when Von Kunisloch, or Lessingham, as he de-sires to be called, warns her that if harm comes to him, death would strike her comes to him, death would strike her brother, Major Felstead. The man is irre-

sistible—and they know his warning is no mere threat. Helen persuades Philippa to trust him. Then they proceed to fit him out in a suit of Dick's. But none too soon. Sir Henry—Lady Cranston's husband—comes in before the stranger can leave, and a hasty explanation barely smooths over his presence in the house. But Sir Henry is apparently too much interested in fishing, anyway, to take much note of anything else. He is a source of great annoyance to Philippa, his wife, since, while she is eager for him to serve his country, he desires only to bait hooks. Finally, Lessingham decides to go. Philippa and Helen see him to the door and Sir Henry is left alone. Then, quickly, he goes to the telephone and asks the Chief of Police to come up on a pretext of warning them about the lights. When the Chief arrives, Sir Henry locks the door and they talk of this stranger who has a mysteriously come from nowhere. door and they talk of this stranger who has so mysteriously come from nowhere. Then Jimmy Dumble, Sir Henry's fishing part-ner, comes to receive instructions. When the Chief has gone Sir Henry rolls away the false back of his cabinet of fishing tackle to reveal a huge map. He and Jimmy pore excitedly over this, planning next day's jaunt, until Philippa returns.



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